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Population Of Nation Tops 150,000,000

Death Rate For '48 Sets Record Low

Washington, Dec. 23—(AP)—The nation cut its death rate to the lowest point in history last year, the government reported today. It said heart diseases and cancer accounted for almost half of the 1,444,337 total.

While there were only 1,033 fewer deaths in 1948 than in the previous year, the fatality rate dropped from 10.1 per 1,000 population to 9.9. This is one per cent below the previous record low set in 1946.

The declining death rate was accompanied by a rapid increase in the country's population which now has passed the 150,000,000 mark and is still rising.

Growing 200,000 A Month
On this point the census bureau estimated the total population was 150,183,000 on November 1 this year and is growing at 200,000-a-month pace.

The nation's death figures for 1948 were supplied in a report from the Office of Vital Statistics which gave these highlights:

471,469 people died from heart diseases and 197,042 from cancer and other malignant tumors. 131,036 others succumbed to cerebral hemorrhages and other diseases of the brain and nervous system. (This compared with the United States fatality total in World War II of 308,970.)

Deaths from pneumonia, influenza and tuberculosis reached new lows with a 56,493 total for pneumonia and influenza and 43,333 for T.B. victims.

Increase In Polio Deaths
There was an increase in fatalities from poliomyelitis and measles. The polio toll jumped from 580 in 1947 to 1,895 last year. Deaths from measles rose from 472 in 1947 to 888 in 1948; but this was still far below the 1946 total of 1,310.

Deaths from premature births dropped from 41,053 in 1947 to 39,085 last year.

Scarlet fever accounted for the fewest deaths—68.

The report also showed a slight drop in the number of accidental deaths, suicides and killings.

It said 32,259 people were killed in motor vehicle accidents last year as against 32,697 in 1947. 65,742 others died in other types of accidents as compared to 66,882 the previous year.

Suicides fell from 16,538 to 16,354, while homicides dropped from 8,555 in 1947 to 8,536.

Deaths from other causes included: Typhoid and paratyphoid fever 233; cerebrospinal meningitis 873; dysentery 1,078; malaria 170; syphilis 11,616; acute rheumatic fever 927; pellagra 606; diarrhea, enteritis and ulceration of the intestines 8,831; diseases of pregnancy and childbirth 4,122; congenital malformations and diseases peculiar to the first year (except premature births) 11,704.

Truman, Pope Pius Exchange Messages

Washington, Dec. 23—(AP)—President Truman told Pope Pius XII in a Christmas message that despite the leaders of a few nations, most of the world's peoples today are "living indeed as good neighbors."

And among men of good will, Mr. Truman said, efforts are going forward to "persuade and encourage" leaders who do not follow the path of friendly relations "to permit their people to live also as good neighbors."

In reply, Pope Pius lauded the work of the American people for peace and called for "a peace which is real and solid, just and enduring" among all mankind.

The exchange marked the second time in this Christmas season that Mr. Truman has expressed sorrow and concern over the division of the world's nations into hostile camps.

Without alluding to Russia and her satellites by name, Mr. Truman had told a gathering at Arlington National Cemetery on Wednesday that the United States must stand ready in self-defense because "until the captive peoples of the world emerge from darkness, they cannot see the hand we hold out in friendship."

**2 TO GO ON TRIAL
FOR \$350,000 FRAUD**

Fort Wayne, Ind., Dec. 23—(AP)—Clayde G. Rectenwall, 65, former bank cashier, and one other man must stand trial Jan. 9 for a \$350,000 shortage in the Farmers & Merchants State Bank of Spencer, Ind.

Federal Judge Luther M. Swygert set the trial date today for Rectenwall and Roy C. Chaney Jr., 26, Fort Wayne and Harlan used car dealer.

Four other men are to be tried later on indictments charging check kiting schemes.

Railroads To Mines Get Priority On Coal

Washington, Dec. 23—(AP)—The government took emergency action today to keep trains running despite the curb John L. Lewis has clamped on coal production.

It gave the carriers first call on coal produced in mines which normally produce for the coal industry.

The order, designed to avert transportation breakdowns in the winter weeks ahead, was issued as the holiday travel season got under way.

With railroads granted first call on coal, industrial users and home owners will have to get along with the remainder. Meanwhile stocks are diminishing as a result of the three-day work week Lewis has ordered for his United Mine Workers.

The government priority order for the railroads came from the Interstate Commerce Commission which said the new system will go into effect at 12:01 a.m. (local time at the mines) tomorrow and continue until midnight February 25 — unless changed.

The ICC said that railroads having less than nine days stocks on hand can obtain tonnage to meet their needs through certification from the director of the agency's service bureau.

The ICC said it took this action because "the interest of the public and the commerce of the people is seriously threatened." Whether this was a preliminary to a proclamation of a national emergency by President Truman remained to be seen. At his news conference here yesterday, Mr. Truman would not offer any opinion as to whether the coal miners' short work week was causing a fuel emergency.

The president reiterated that if any emergency develops he will take the necessary action to halt it—presumably by seeking an 80-day injunction under the Taft-Hartley act, which up to now he has avoided in the current coal dispute.

By The Associated Press
Santa Claus will have perfect sleighriding conditions over much of the nation Christmas Eve.

A good snow cover—one that will remain because of chilly temperatures—stretched across the mid-section of the country Friday night to aid the old gentleman, forecasters said "it looks like it will hang on."

The snow band extended from the southeast half of Kansas up across southern Iowa, northern Missouri, over most of Michigan, northern Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, the Dakotas, Montana, Wyoming, Idaho and Utah.

New snow was falling in northern Iowa and southern Minnesota and was moving southeastward across northern and central Illinois and Indiana. It should reach Ohio Saturday morning and move into western Pennsylvania and New York by Christmas Eve, forecasters said.

The east, which has been having temperatures around 25 degrees above normal, was to drop back toward seasonal readings Friday night or Saturday.

**Brannan Expected
To Ask Farmers
To Cut Corn Crop**

Washington, Dec. 23—(AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Brannan is expected next week to call upon farmers to reduce corn production around 12 per cent next year to prevent a big surplus.

The production goal may be about 3,000,000,000 bushels compared with 3,377,000,000 grown this year.

Big crop of the past two years already have piled up a reserve which may still be around 1,000,000,000 bushels by the time the 1950 crop reaches harvest. Much of this grain will be stored under government price support programs.

In an effort to get a reduction in production, Brannan probably will set up acreage planting allotments for the first time since before the war.

Allotments would be limited to a so-called "commercial corn-producing area." This area would include all counties in which the production of corn during the 10 calendar years preceding 1950 is 450 bushels or more per farm and four bushels or more for each acre of farm land in the county.

XMAS TREE FOR SQUIRRELS
Washington, Dec. 23—(AP)—The White House squirrels rallied round their own Christmas tree today.

Decorated with rosettes in the shape of the three-foot evergreen was set up by White House maintenance employees just west of the wing that houses President Truman's offices.

Before the President left Washington, he exchanged formal Christmas greetings with the Pope, telling the Pontiff that the United States "gladly re-dedicates its efforts to the creation of a peaceful and advancing world order."

Replying, the Pope said that "Salvation will not come for the world until mankind, deriving its inspiration from the teachings and example of Christ, comes to realize that all men are children of the one father in heaven, destined to be truly brothers through the union of his divine son, whom he sent to be redeemer of all."

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main in Missouri until next Wednesday, he arranged to light the White House Christmas tree tomorrow evening by remote control from Independence.

As the brilliant lights flare on in the dusk of Christmas Eve, Mr. Truman will broadcast a Christmas message to the nation (about 4:17 p.m. CST).

Government offices will remain closed Monday as well as Saturday and Sunday. With the same schedule prevailing over the succeeding New Year's weekend, some clerks arranged to take four days of their annual leave from Tuesday through Friday of next week, thus achieving a 10-day winter vacation.

American merchants, in general, could count the 1949 Christmas shopping season a rousing success. The federal reserve board announced that department store sales last week finished one per cent ahead of the corresponding week of 1948.

There appeared to be a chance that the buying wave would send total Christmas sales above last year's record.

**Red Ribbon Replaces Red
Tape As Capital Decorates**

Washington, Dec. 23—(AP)—Holiday red ribbon overlaid work day red tape today as the capital began its Yuletide observance.

Its No. 1 citizen, President Truman, got up early to fly to Independence, Mo., for a Christmas in the old family home. Mrs. Truman already was there. Daughter Margaret flew with her father. They arrived shortly after noon.

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Illinois News Briefs

Mt. Vernon, Ill., Dec. 23—(AP)—Twelve continuous hours of Christmas holiday dancing will be offered to Mt. Vernon residents by nine local bands.

The affair will get under way at 1 p. m. Monday at the Veterans of Foreign Wars club rooms. The musicians will donate their services for the free dance, but will be compensated from the Musicians' Union transcription fund.

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 23—(AP)—The Methodist hospital building fund today announced receipt of a personal donation of \$500 from the Most Rev. Joseph H. Schlatterman, Bishop of the Catholic diocese of Peoria.

The gift was announced by Dr. W. T. Smith, pastor of the First Methodist church of Peoria and president of the Methodist hospital board. He hailed the donation as an "example of good will and cooperation regardless of creed."

Salem, Ill., Dec. 23—(AP)—Donald C. Lape, 42, Salem businessman, died today in the Salem hospital. He had been in the hospital for several hours after he was stricken suddenly at his home.

Lape, who was born in Vandalia, came to Salem about four years ago. He operated a drug store and was active in civic groups.

Mt. Vernon, Ill., Dec. 23—(AP)—A Nason coal miner, injured in a rock fall, died in a hospital here yesterday. He was Cleo S. Jones, 29, of Mt. Vernon route one.

Jones was working as a timberman when he suffered a broken back under falling rock in Consolidated Coal Corporation's Nason mine on Dec. 15. Service will be tomorrow.

Chicago, Dec. 23—(AP)—C. Hobart Engle of Cuba, Ill., was reported last night to have the support again of the democratic slatemakers for election as state superintendent of public instruction.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 23—(AP)—Five contracts totaling \$1,349,570 were awarded today for rehabilitation and modernization of the north unit main building at the Anna State Hospital.

Danville, Ill., Dec. 23—(AP)—A suit by the group hospital service of St. Louis against five southern Illinois hospitals was dismissed in federal court today by agreement of both sides.

The suit, filed Nov. 30, accused the hospitals of failing to fulfill contracts with the group hospital service.

Anna, Ill., Dec. 23—(AP)—A farm home fire engulfed a mother and two children late yesterday and claimed a fourth child victim today.

Mrs. Lena Cain, 30, her six-week-old son Carl, and Connie Russell, 2, the daughter of a neighbor, Verell Russell, perished in the flames.

Barbara Sue Cain, 8, died today of burns in an Anna hospital.

Rockford, Ill., Dec. 23—(AP)—Authorities at Rockford Memorial hospital said today a one pound, nine ounce baby girl born Dec. 16 is the "smallest in the city's history to survive."

Marie Reimer was one of twins born to Mr. and Mrs. William Reimer Jr. of Rockford. The baby's brother died shortly after birth.

Harrisburg, Ill., Dec. 23—(AP)—Nancy Lee Echols of 612 Broadway, Mt. Vernon, Ill., has been selected as a candidate for the 1950 Rotary Fellowship award.

Jim O'Neill of Harrisburg, governor of the 216th district of Rotary International, announced the selection of Miss Echols today. She now is a senior, majoring in political science, at Denison University, Greenville, Ohio.

5,000 Minneapolis Workers Vote To Quit UE, Join CIO

Minneapolis, Dec. 23—(AP)—Some 5,000 workers at the Minneapolis Honeywell Regulator company voted today to leave the United Electrical Workers union and join the new CIO-sponsored International Union of Electrical Workers.

Thus the new right-wing group has won the CIO established the IUE, after expelling the UE at the national convention.

Coincident with the action, taken yesterday, James Carey, organizing head of the IUE and secretary-treasurer of the national CIO, said that Robert W. Shart, business agent for the new group, has been appointed area director for the IUE, making him the top man for IUE in Minnesota, Wisconsin and part of Illinois. He had been acting as organizer for IUE.

**AEC TO SPONSOR
COURSE FOR DOCTORS**

Washington, Dec. 23—(AP)—The atomic energy commission announced tonight it will sponsor courses in which doctors will be taught how to treat persons who suffer atomic injuries in a future war.

Selected physicians will be given one-week courses. They in turn will pass on the knowledge to doctors, dentists and nurses in their home areas.

U.S. Warns Ship Captains Trading With Chinese Reds

Eleven Killed As B-50 Crashes In Desolate Swamp In Georgia

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 23—(AP)—A nightfall but will be renewed tomorrow with the aid of a swamp buggy brought from Elgin Field, Fla. Officials said it appeared doubtful if bodies of any of the missing six flyers would be found in the deep mire.

The puddle of dirty water and a few pieces of twisted metal, scattered over abandoned rice flats, was all that remained of the 62-ton, four-engine plane.

The craft mysteriously spouted flame and fell only five minutes after lifting from nearby Chatham Field for a final training flight before Christmas. It was headed for El Paso, Texas.

Air force officers were investigating the cause of the fire and crash. "It looked like the whole world was on fire," said J. A. Lyles, a bridge tender who saw the burning plane plunging toward the marsh.

The scene was near a branch of the Savannah river, only seven miles northward from Savannah and only two miles from U.S. Highway 17.

Five bodies were found today in the crater of cinders, mire and dirty water. Search was suspended at

But it took hours for rescue crews, desperately hoping to find survivors, to reach the wreckage.

They wound through tortuous creeks by rowboat and flashlight. Then they plunged the last hundred yards through mire that gripped them to the armpits. Some wore cork life jackets to hold them above the ooze.

Twenty negroes with machetes whacked a path through the tangled marsh growth today.

Two bodies were found wedged in the wreckage. Four others were lifted from the mud. All were battered or burned.

Wreckage was scattered over 1,000 feet. The largest visible piece of the huge bomber was about the size of an automobile.

Dreary marshes spread for miles around, laced by muddy river fingers.

The B-50 is an improved version of the B-29 superfortress. 99 feet long with a wingspan of 141 feet. It weighs 125,000 pounds.

**Hungary Reports
Jacobson Accused
Of Being A Spy**

Budapest, Hungary, Dec. 23—(AP)—"Suspicion of spying against the Hungarian state" is the charge against Israel Jacobson, American welfare worker arrested upon his return a week ago from home leave in the United States.

The Hungarian foreign ministry made the announcement today. Hungarian officials declined to go into detail. It could not be learned whether the announcement means Jacobson will be tried on espionage charges.

A 37-year-old native of Buffalo, N.Y., he has directed Hungarian affairs of the American joint distribution committee more than two years. His wife and two children are living in Chicago.

American officials have been denied permission to see him. Similar requests to see Robert A. Vogeler of New York, International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation executive, also have been denied.

Vogeler and a British representative of the I. T. and T. Edgar Sanders Nov. 18. The Communist government later announced both had confessed.

Smith Arranges 10-Day Truce In Telephone Dispute

St. Louis, Dec. 23—(AP)—A threatened strike against Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. has been put off for at least 10 days under a truce arranged today by Gov. Forrest Smith of Missouri.

At the same time, union and company representatives agreed to meet here next Thursday with officials of the six states served by the utility to try for full settlement of the contract dispute.

News of the truce was welcomed tidings for telephone users who feared for a time they would be without phone service during the Christmas holidays.

Their fears apparently were justified. A union spokesman said after the governor's meeting: "It is no secret now that there would have been a strike tomorrow, or perhaps tonight—and a rough one."

The truce would end Jan. 1, although a settlement may be reached before that time, of course.

Tonight, Smith had received acceptance to his invitations for a peace conference from governors or their representatives of all five other states.

3 Illinois Persons Hurt Seriously In Tennessee Crash

Clarksville, Tenn., Dec. 23—(AP)—Three members of an Illinois family suffered serious injuries today in a collision between two automobiles.

The Clarksville hospital identified the victims as Sammy Winfrey, Jr., three, described as in a "very serious" condition, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Winfrey of Salem, Ill.

The parents were said to be in a "serious" condition.

Two Clarksville men in the other auto were injured and still to come—do we minor cuts and bruises. They were listed as Floyd Brown and Edward Carter, the driver.

Winfrey, 49, and Mrs. Winfrey, 39, suffered leg and hip fractures and other injuries, the hospital said. The child suffered internal injuries.

FREAK TWISTER HITS LONG BEACH AREA

Long Beach, Wash., Dec. 23—(AP)—A freak twister swept in off the Pacific ocean into a residential district near noon today, tearing the roof off one house and damaging several others. No one was hurt.

The twister, first ever reported here, followed a narrow path approximately 50 feet wide. It first struck the house of Eric Matson, lurching the 24 by 32 foot roof off as neatly as if it had used a saw.

**Truman Arrives
In Independence
To Spend Holiday**

Independence, Mo., Dec. 23—(AP)—President Truman came home in buoyant spirits today to spend the Christmas season with the people he knows and loves best.

The plane Independence, bringing Mr. Truman and daughter Margaret, from Washington, landed at Fairfax airport in Kansas City, Kas., at 11:42 a.m. CST, after a flight of just over four hours.

On hand to greet him were Mrs. Truman, other relatives and old friends. While waiting for the Independence to land, Mrs. Truman acknowledged to reporters that she always worries while the president is in the air.

Asked if she "sweats 'em out," she replied, "I don't like it until they get down."

After kisses, the Trumans drove about 13 miles over slippery streets to their rambling white home here. A bright sun and 33-degree temperatures licked away at a three-inch frosting of snow, dimming prospects of a truly white Christmas.

There was a minimum of fanfare. Only two police cars were observed in the procession here. Everywhere his old neighbors wished the president a merry Christmas and he replied, "The same to you."

**STATE HAD VERY DRY
NOVEMBER THIS YEAR**

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 23—(AP)—Illinois had the driest November since 1933 and the fourth driest on record, the weather bureau reported today.

November weather was mild with temperatures averaging 44.2 or 1.8 degrees above normal. Precipitation was 0.67 inch which was 1.85 inches below normal.

**Pope Invites Protestants
To Join Catholic Church**

Vatican City, Dec. 23—(AP)—On the eve of the 25th Roman Catholic Holy Year, Pope Pius XII today invited all believers in Jesus Christ now outside the Catholic fold to "return to the one true church" for a union against militant atheism.

His words were clearly directed toward protestants and Greek Orthodox church members.

"With good reason men are anxious about the effort of unity, which the united front of militant atheism advances. And the old question is now voiced aloud: Why are there still separations? Why are there still schisms? When will all the forces of the spirit and of love be harmoniously united?"

Jews also received a bid to enter the Catholic Church.

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Premier Bidault Wins Confidence Vote In Assembly

Paris, Saturday, Dec. 24—(AP)—Premier Georges Bidault early today won a vote of confidence by a narrow margin on the national budget proposed by his coalition government.

The vote in the national assembly, the lower house of France's parliament, was 303 to 297 for the opposition. The premier's main objective was to head off an opposition vote of 311, which would have meant the resignation of the cabinet.

The test was on whether the assembly would begin discussing the cabinet's proposed 1950 budget or a smaller opposition budget sponsored by the assembly's finance committee.

The cabinet proposed an expenditure of 2,257,000,000 francs (\$640,000,000), with the imposition of new taxes. The committee drew up a smaller budget which would be left unbalanced by 23,000,000 francs (\$65,000,000) unless additional taxes were levied to meet it.

Parliamentary observers said the narrow margin of Bidault's victory made uncertain the future of his coalition government during the coming days. Bidault, a member of the middle-of-the-road popular republican movement (MRP), has held office since Oct. 28.

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A MODERN CHRISTMAS STORY

It all started when a Mrs. Dorothea Grover, wife of an unemployed shipyard worker in Camden, N. J., wrote a letter to the local paper. She said her 8-year-old daughter, Patricia, has been ill most of her life. The child's biggest disappointment was that the postman never stopped at her house.

If anyone had a Christmas card or two left over, would they please be kind enough to mail one to Patricia? Mrs. Grover thought that would be very nice. So did the paper, which ran a story with Patricia's picture.

Next day the postman stopped for the first time in months. He had 500 Christmas cards for the little girl. The following delivery brought 3700. The next 4600.

The postman gave up and a truck took over. Soon it was making deliveries twice a day, bringing as many as 12 sacksful of mail. A new bin was set up in the post office with the label "Patricia Grover."

Cards were not all. More than 350 gift packages arrived. Patricia had said she wanted to make scrapbooks full of Christmas cards to send to other sick children in hospitals. More than 25 beautifully bound scrapbooks came to her.

Now things like this have happened often before in America. But people never tire of hearing about them and probably never will. They are the measure of the best that is in us, both as Americans and as human beings.

This is a Christmas story of the richest sort. The shower of mail upon little Patricia Grover holds the key to American character, to the deep spirit of helpfulness and brotherliness underlying our way of life.

The most touching part of this story is not that so many thousands of people responded to Patricia's need for friendship.

It is that she, having known so much loneliness had thought in her most dismal moments for other children who might be as badly or worse off than she.

Her new-found friends understood this and they gave with the knowledge that Patricia herself was eager to give. They sent the things she needed to make others happy.

So long as Americans can display such magnificent kindness as the people of Camden showed Patricia, this country will not be losing sight of its high goal of a full, free existence for every individual.

Then when the misfortune of one person like Patricia is made plainly known, the response is clear and swift.

Not so easy is the job of keeping in mind the plight of millions of other individuals who need the help of strong friends for one reason or another.

But we must remember them all if the American ideal is to become real.

GET THEM BACK ON DECK

Jane's Fighting Ships, British naval annual, reports that two—possibly three—35,000-ton Russian battleships are either in commission or nearing readiness for service.

If this report has substance, then the U. S. Navy may yet have something more to worry about than the hundreds of Soviet submarines which up to now have been advertised as the sole threat to American supremacy on the seas.

Throughout all the acid debate on the proper roles of Navy and Air Force in a future war, one somehow got the idea that our admirals felt submarine warfare was not enough to justify their existence. Maybe even a little undignified.

A few more accounts of 35,000-ton capital vessels sliding down the ways in Russian shipyards and the American admirals can thrust out their chests and show their dignity again.

\$60 Check Worthless; Girl Arrested, Jailed

It didn't look Friday like Carol hotel. At first she denied having Mae Allen will get home for Christmas—passed a worthless check, but later mas. Carol Mae, who is 19, got into the presence of State's Attorney some trouble Thursday and is a pris. Albert W. Hall is reported to have one in the county jail, charged with admitted writing and cashing the passing a fraudulent check.

At the time of her arrest the girl. She explained that she wanted who says her home is at Marshall. The money so that she could "go town, Iowa, was wearing an engagement ring which she told officials, first wedding to a young man she was acquired after a six day romance in this city.

Miss Allen, according to an official, was told. Miss Allen's romantic affair since against her in county court, visited her arrival in Jacksonville had been the Farmers State Bank on Thurs- far more rapid than her financial day morning. In a business-like final progress, the investigating of-fashion, it is said, she wrote out a checkers were led to believe. She said \$60 check and cashed it at one of she came here with a crew working the tellers' windows.

The check was made payable to poka, Kansas, but business had to "Jane L. Davis," and signed with the developed as she hoped. signature of "Tom McCurley." Police. An information charging the girl said both names are fictitious.

The Iowa girl was arrested at 2:30 sworn out by officials of the bank. o'clock Thursday afternoon by Pa- She will be arraigned in county court troelman Arthur L. Woods at a local within a short time.

Christmas Eve Service

ALL WELCOME—11:30

SOLOS STORY ANTHEMS

VALENCIA FORWOOD JOSEPH CLEELAND
MARGARET RAYMOND DONALD LITTLER
MARTHA BRAZEL JAMES COULTAS
FRANCES KING RICHARD MILLS
RALPH ROBBINS CHARLES COVEY

STATE STREET CHURCH

COME AND WORSHIP WELCOME
11:30 P. M.

THE STORY OF THE SAVIOR



"The Son of Man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many." (Matthew 20:28.)

The Ministry of Jesus

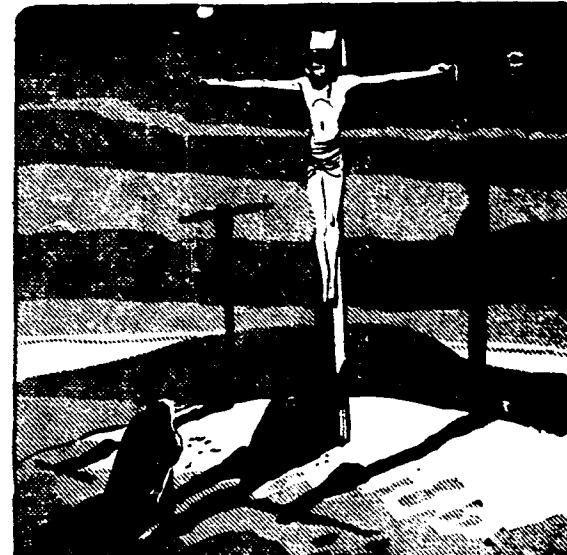


Jesus showed his love for children. He told his disciples, "Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 19:14.)



And Jesus healed the sick: "At even ere the sun was set, The sick, O Lord, around thee lay: O, with what divers pains they met; O, with what joy they went away."

By WILLIAM E. GILROY, D. D.



To save mankind, He died on the cross.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wooten. 140 Spaulding place, are parents of a son born at Passavant hospital Friday at 6:10 a. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Tomhave. 1614 South East street, are parents of a son born Thursday at 9:13 a. m. at Our Saviour's hospital. The infant weighed seven pounds, six and three-fourths ounces.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lyons of Waverly Friday at 8:09 a. m. at Our Saviour's hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Varner Zimmer, 1725 Mound road, are parents of a son born Friday at 11:45 a. m. at Passavant hospital.

"Feeder" airlines serve 140 cities in the United States.

Christmas in the Churches

Faith Lutheran church, Carl I. Empson, pastor. Meeting in Youth Center, W. State St. Sunday, Dec. 25 Christmas Day. 9:30 a. m. Sunday school; annual Christmas program; treat for children. 10:45 a. m. sermon by the pastor, "The Sign of a Saviour." This will be our last service in the Youth Center. On Jan. 1, 1950, services will be held in our new basement chapel, 316 East Superior Ave. The first floor will house the pastor and his family.

State Street Presbyterian church. The church with the Singing Tower. The Rev. Lewis N. Raymond, pastor. Church school will meet as usual this Christmas Sunday at 9:30 a. m. All teachers and students are urged to attend this service. Divine worship is at 10:45 a. m. with special music by Ralph Robbins at the organ and a special solo by Margaret Raymond. The minister will speak on "The Divine-Human Encounter."

Jehovah's Witnesses—This group will sponsor a public address at the Kingdom Hall, 800 N. Clay, Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock by A. Hamman, a representative of the Watchtower Bible Society, on the subject, "Peace on Earth—When?" At 4:15 a Bible study will be conducted with The Watchtower on the subject, "The More Excellent Way of Love" by the local company minister, R. Ullrich. Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock at the Kingdom Hall a Bible study will be conducted with the aid of the textbook "Let God Be True" on the subject, "The Church of God." Friday evening at 8 o'clock service meeting will be held, followed by the weekly Theocratic ministry school. Lesson No. 47 from the textbook "Theocratic Aid" and a student talk on the subject, "Theocratic Kingdom" will be featured in the ministry school. All interested in the study of the Bible are welcome.

Pilgrim Congregational church. W. Harris Pankhurst, minister. There will be no church school. 10:45 a family Christmas service. The subject of Dr. Pankhurst's sermon will be "The Hallelujah Chorus." A group of Christmas carols will be sung by the church choir and the junior choir combined. Cynthia Caldwell will sing a solo, "Behold Those Heavenly Voices."

Westminster Presbyterian church. Arthur Frederick Ewert, D.D., pastor. Sunday school. 9:30 a. m. "Frank P. McCarthy, superintendent. A beautifully decorated Christmas tree will highlight the Sunday school room, and Christmas carols will be sung. A Sunday school class, at 10:45, will be held for all children whose parents attend the morning worship. At the morning service, Dr. Ewert will give by recitation, "The Christmas Story in Prophecy and Fulfillment." Special Christmas music will be presented: Miss Carmen Marie Covey, at the organ, will play "Pastoral Symphony" by Handel, and two numbers from Handel's "The Messiah," "He Shall Feed His Flock," and the "Hallelujah chorus." Miss Elizabeth R. Nelms will sing "The Christ Child by Coombs; Richard Henry Mills will sing "Bethlehem" by Coombs; and the vested choir will sing "O Quiet Night" by Neidlinger. Christmas decorations will adorn the auditorium. A cordial invitation is extended to the general public.

Calvary Bible church. 855 Edgehill road. Christmas program, 10 a. m., directed by Miss Gilbert; prayer service, Bible study and midweek service, 8 p. m. Thursday.

Trinity Episcopal church. Saturday, December 24th. Christmas Eve at 11:30 p. m. The traditional Choral Eucharist will be celebrated. Special Christmas music under the direction of Ruth M. Bellatti, organist and choir director. There will be a brief meditation by the rector, who will speak on the theme, "Let us now go even unto Bethlehem." A cordial welcome is extended to the public. There will be no services on Christmas day. Wednesday, Dec. 28th. Holy Innocents, there will be celebration of the Holy Communion at 7:30 a. m.

Central Baptist church. Wm. H. Spencer, pastor. "Where every visitor is a welcome guest." Sunday school 9:30 a. m. Jamie Crosson, superintendent. Worship service 10:45 a. m. Subject "King of Kings." Baptist Training Union 6:30 p. m. Mrs. Fern Oshel, director. Worship service 7:30 p. m. subject "The Only Begotten of the Father." Bible study Wednesday 7:30 p. m. Teachers' meeting, Wednesday, 8:30 p. m.

Central Christian church, Leslie G. Heuston, minister. Church school at 9:30 p. m. Lowell Dodson, supt. Classes for all ages; morning worship at 10:45. Rev. Heuston will use as his theme "Open The Door." This

being Christmas special music will be used all during the services. The school period will be omitted for this particular Sunday. The worship service will begin at 10 a. m. with special Christmas music by the choir; Marian Stewart, pianist. The sermon topic will be "For by Guiltless. The choir under the direction of Mrs. Francis Plouer will sing a melody of Christmas carols. "O Little Town of Bethlehem," "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks," and "Joy to the World," and "The Christmas Song" by Adam. A supervised nursery for preschool age children in charge of Mrs. A. E. Kent during church hour. There will be no CYF meeting Christmas Day or New Years Day.

Literberry Baptist church. Wm. J. Boston, pastor. Bible school 9:30 a. m. Lawrence Mallicoat, Supt., morning worship 10:45. Robert Mallicoat will preach the Christmas sermon.

First Baptist church. Rev. Clair E. Malcomson, minister. Church school 9:30 a. m. Arthur Yates, supt. Treats will be given to all children in the elementary departments. Worship service 10:45 a. m. Florence Ritchie will sing "O Thou That Tellest Good Tidings to Zion," by Handel. Mr. Malcomson will tell "The Story of the Other Wise Man," by Henry Van Dyke. In the interest of making it possible for a larger number of parents to attend the morning worship services, a nursery is maintained in the kindergarten.

Christ Lutheran for the Deaf. Rev. N. P. Uhlig, pastor. Services at 10 a. m. at Salem Lutheran Hall, corner of E. Beecher avenue and S. East street.

Brooklyn Methodist. C. W. Leonard, pastor. Church school at 9:30 a. m. Morning worship at 10:45. Sermon topic: "The Star of Hope." There will be two anthems by the choir, and a duet by Phyllis Pearson and Helen Rehoe. Bible Study class will not meet this week.

Alexander Methodist. Rev. C. W. Leonard, pastor. Regular services will be held Sunday. Morning worship at 9 a. m. and church school at 10 a. m. Mrs. Thompson, supt.

First Church of Christ Scientist. 523 W. State St. Sunday services at 11 a. m., subject "Christian Science." Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Wednesday evening testimonial meetings at 8 o'clock. The reading room, in the church building, is open each week day, except holidays from 2 to 5 in the afternoon.

Salem Lutheran church. Missouri Synod, 333 S. East street. O. J. Klerman, pastor. Services 8 and 10 a. m. Sunday school and Bible classes 9 a. m. Dec. 24. Children's Christmas service 7 p. m.; Dec. 25. Christmas services 8 and 10 a. m.; Dec. 30. Registration for Holy communion, 4-8 p. m.; Dec. 31. New Year's Eve Devotional service 8 p. m. Jan. 1st. Services with Holy communion. Also installation of church officers in the 10 a. m. service.

St. Paul's Lutheran church of Chapin. Harry A. Timm, pastor. Christmas Eve service at 7:30 p. m. Saturday evening. Christmas Day service at 10:15 a. m. Holy communion will be celebrated. Sunday school and Jr. Bible class at 9:30 a. m. The motion picture, "The Sickle or the Cross," will be shown in the Chapin Theater on Tuesday evening, Dec. 27 at 6:45 and 8:15. The Mary and Martha circle meeting on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 29 Confirmation class on Saturday morning at 8:30 o'clock.

Murrayville Methodist. Vincent H. VanHorn, minister. 9:30 Church school. David Milon, supt. 10:45 morning worship. The service will be featured with a Christmas sermon by the minister and the following Christmas music. Anthem, Long years ago o'er Bethlehem Hills, Music by Karl P. Harrington, sung by the choir; solo, "O Holy Night," with music by Adolphe Adam, sung by Mary Jane Benscoter; solo "The Holy Child," music by Martin. Sung by Shirley Evans.

Chapin Christian church. Fred Wilson, Pastor. Church school 9:30. Jane Moody, supt.; morning service 10:30. Christmas service, Pastor's subject, "Let Us Go To Bethlehem."

Bethel A. M. E. church. Where a Friendly Welcome Awaits You Every Sunday. Rev. B. P. Stratton, pastor. 5:30 a. m., sunrise prayer services. 9:30 a. m. church school. 11 a. m. morning worship. 7:30 p. m. evening services.

Monday official board meeting at 7 p. m. Game supper in church annex Jan. 11 sponsored by brother Bennie Shannon.

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Northminster Presbyterian church. C. Frank Janssen, pastor. Sunday school meets at 9:30 a. m. Morning worship at 10:45 a. m. message, "Christmas as Joy," by the pastor; Building Fund Sunday. The choir will sing "O Little Town of Bethlehem" by Chester H. Beebe; the senior choir will be assisted by the youth choir. There will be no other services at the church this Sunday. The Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:45 p. m. Trustees' monthly meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.

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MARRIED DEC. 17



Mr. and Mrs. George W. Saylor

Winchester—Miss Maurine Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Evans of Winchester, and George W. Saylor of Pittsfield, were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony, solemnized by the Rev. F. V. Wright in the First Baptist church in Winchester at 5:30 p. m., Saturday, Dec. 17.

MT. STERLING MAN DIES IN KANSAS

Arkansas City, Kas., Dec. 22.—(AP)—A man identified by his social security card as Artell Lancaster, Mt. Sterling, Ill., died today aboard a Santa Fe passenger train. He was about 55 years old.

The man boarded the train at Winfield, Kas., with a ticket to Arkansas City. He carried two boxes of peddler's novelties.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Charles Schwartz and Nellie M. Mather, both of Alton, Ill.

Camel Knelt.

Morning worship at 10:45 with special Christmas sermon by the pastor, "The Birthday of a King," and special Christmas music by the choir, guest soloist, Mary Jane Benscoter, and Charles Covey, violinist. Anthem by the choir "The Shepherd's Christmas Song" by Keimann; solos by Miss Benscoter, "He Shall Feed His Flock," by Handel; "The Birthday of a King" by Neidlinger and "Cantique de Noel" by Adams. With choir. Charles Covey will play a violin solo "Ave Maria" by Schubert. There will be a nursery for small children during the morning worship service. Mrs. Webster's numbers will be "Pastoral Symphony" from Handel's "Messiah"—"In Dulci Jubilo" by Bach, and "The Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's "Messiah" and "When the Littlest Sigh."

Boyle's Column

By Hal Boyle

Front Page Bulletin: "Santa Has Started"

Santa Claus is on his way!

The jolly old Saint Nick and his famous reindeer are zooming through the arctic skies right now, heading for the American border. He'll reach it tonight.

The Northern Lights switched on to a clear steady green—the "go ahead" signal. And the Royal Canadian Mounted Police sent Santa this message:

"We are clearing all air lanes in your path, old boy. There is no speed limit for you tonight. The sky is yours. Go as fast as you like. Good luck!"

As Santa Claus climbed up into the seat of the sled, puffing a little because he has gained some weight this winter, three black and white penguins waddled across the snow in front of the reindeer.

"Here, here, get out of the way, please," said Santa Claus importantly. Then he said, surprised:

"Why what are you penguins doing up at the North Pole anyway? You're supposed to be at the South Pole."

"We're on a vacation," said one of the penguins. "We're looking for Florida. Have you seen it anywhere?"

"Climb aboard, climb aboard," boomed Santa. "I'll drop you off there. But I must say this is the first time I ever picked up three hitchhikers wearing tuxedos."

Just then Mrs. Santa Claus came running out waving a long piece of paper.

"You almost forgot your list of good children," she said.

"Never mind," said Santa. "I don't need it. This year I am going to give a present to every little boy and girl, good or bad. The bad ones will feel sorry then, because they know they don't deserve a nice present. I'll make 'em try harder to be good next year."

Santa stood up to crack his whip

in the air—the signal to be off. But then he heard a small voice crying:

"Wait, please wait."

It was Cluny, Santa's favorite little elf. The other elves gossiped about Cluny and said she was clumsy at making toys. But Santa knew it was only because she was so young. He liked her because she had a good heart.

"Here, said the tiny elf, holding up a small shiny figure.

"What's this?" "You're too late. My pack is already loaded."

"It is only my present to the world," said Cluny. "I made it at night in my room—all by myself."

Santa took the little figure from her hands. It was a beautiful angel with butterfly wings and a robe of purest white. In her hand the angel held a small magic wand.

"It is the angel of peace," explained Cluny.

"Why, Cluny!" said Santa. This is better than all the other gifts put together. I'll see that your angel waves her wand for one day at least over every home in the land."

And he picked up Cluny and gave her a big whisker-tuckly kiss on her cheek. Then he picked up his long whip again and cracked it sharply in the frosty air.

"Ho, ho, ho, here we go!" he roared. "Ho, ho, ho, here we go!"

The eight reindeer leaped forward and the big sled began sliding through the snow. Faster, faster, faster, faster—and then they were off the ground and into the air.

Santa was on his way.

To Be Shown Xmas Eve

CHAPIN THEATRE

Abbott and Costello

"WISTFUL OF WAGON

Twins Confirmed



The twin daughters of Donald and Rose Maloney Palasky of St. Louis, formerly of this city, received the sacrament of confirmation at St. Edward's church in St. Louis.

They were confirmed by Archbishop Cody of the St. Louis arch diocese. Their sponsors were their great aunts, Loretta and Rose McDonnell. The girls were born in Jacksonville on Aug. 11, 1941. They are now in the third grade at St. Edward's school. They are the granddaughters of Mrs. Julia Palasky, formerly of this city, and nieces of Mrs. Charles Tonn and Mrs. Donald Clancy of Jacksonville.

Hold Services For White Hall Infant

White Hall—Graveside rites for the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Frye of White Hall were held Friday at 2 p. m. at the White Hall cemetery. Rev. Albert Monroe officiated.

The infant was born Thursday at 10:45 p. m. at the White Hall hospital.

Surviving besides the parents are six brothers and sisters, Eugene, serving with the air force, and Phyllis, Marilyn, Larry, Gerald and Carol, all at home; and the paternal grandmother, Mrs. Nora Frye of Patterson.

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Social Events

Yuletide Program At Fidelis Class Meeting

The Fidelis class of the Centenary Methodist church met Dec. 19 at the church, where Mrs. Cora Hart had charge of the Christmas program. Mrs. Hart told how Christmas was celebrated in other countries. Rev. Collins had charge of the devotion and told the story "What Became of The Star of Bethlehem."

The decorations were in keeping with the seasonal spirit. The committee in charge of refreshments included Miss Minnie Wyatt, Mrs. Josephine Leach, Mrs. Laura Busby, Mrs. Eva Clampt and Mrs. Eunice Salby.

The party was well attended by the members of the class and a gift exchange was held.

Christian Church Group Holds Christmas Program

The singing of Christmas carols was one of the features of the program at a meeting of Group 4 of the Central Christian church Women's Council at the church Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Gertrude Reynolds is leader of the group.

After the members joined in Christmas songs, Mrs. Joe Self read the Scripture and offered prayer. Minutes of the previous meeting were read by Mrs. Earl Hughes.

An interesting talk on work of the Hazel Green college for negro young men and women was given by Mrs. Frank Moxon. A group of songs were sung by Marilyn Frederick, and harmonica selections were played by Mrs. Mary Hayden, accompanied by Mrs. Moxon.

Refreshments in keeping with the season were served by Mrs. Earl Hughes and Miss Annie Coumbes. The next meeting of the group will be held with Mrs. Joe Self as hostess.

Book Bindery Employees Enjoy Christmas Party

The employees of the New Method Book Bindery held their annual Christmas dinner and party Monday evening, December 19, at the Masonic Temple.

Following the dinner L. D. Sibert, Robert F. Sibert, and John Chapman gave short talks in response to the toasts given by the master of ceremonies, E. F. Rempe. Door prizes were awarded to Barbara Sibert, Mrs. Peggy Pullum and Joe E. Sullivan, Jr.

James Waltz and his Pantomimes from David Prince school entertained, giving several numbers in keeping with the holiday season. A movie, "The Night Before Christmas," was shown and group sing movies were enjoyed. Another treat was enjoyed as Sibert showed the movies of he and Mrs. Sibert's recent trip to Alaska. Gifts were then distributed by Fred Lynn, acting as Santa Claus, which closed the evening entertainment.

The committees on arrangements were: General chairman, Mildred Beard; decorating, Don Blesse, John Zimmer, Zelma Castleberry, Margaret Hoots, Muriel Suter, Dorothe Mitchell, Eleanor Lael; Entertainment, Hazel Hoots, chairman, Mary Biggs, Rachel Wade. Gifts, prizes typist, Mary Bentena.

HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

Miss Wilma Range, instructor of music at George Rogers Clark high school in Hammond, Ind., is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Range of West College avenue.

Union barber shops will close Saturday, Dec. 24th, at 5:30 p.m.

Let This Be a Lesson to All of Us!



State Hospital Plans Gala Holiday Events

A nine-day period of holiday festivities has been arranged for patients at the Jacksonville State hospital, beginning Saturday afternoon with a Christmas party.

All of the 3,200 patients at the hospital, with the exception of those in the infirmary, will share in the activities.

Religious services will be held for those of all faiths, including Catholic, Jewish, Protestant and Lutheran. Special services for colored inmates have also been arranged.

A wide variety of entertainment features has been scheduled to be presented throughout the entire period. Several dances have also been planned. These include the patients' annual Christmas holiday dance on Wednesday and the New Year's Eve dance and watch party. Movies are to be another added attraction.

Dr. Louis Belinson, M.D., superintendent, Col. J. T. Taylor, business manager, and Sophie N. Leschin, M.D., assistant superintendent, have cooperated in making arrangements for this gala holiday observance.

The schedule of activities follows:

SATURDAY, DEC. 24

Christmas party and grab bag for patients, 2 p.m.
Assembly music—Jacksonville State Hospital Orchestra, Bernard Strongman, director.

Program

Violin solo—Gertrude Curtis.
Marimba solo—Dr. W. J. Kolb.
Jingle Bells—Patients and Santa Claus.

Santa Claus with gifts for all patients present.
Carol singing on lawn—recordings, 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, DEC. 25

"Christmas Morning"
Christmas trumpeters greet the awakening of Christmas morn.
Trumpeters, Bernard Strongman, Lynn Routzahn.

Christmas Mass, 7:30 a. m.—Rev. F. F. Formaz.
Colored services, 10:00 a. m.—Rev.

S. S. Waddell.

Christmas dinner, 12 noon—Roast turkey, giblet dressing, gravy, mashed potatoes, cranberry sauce, celery, mince meat pie, bread, butterine, coffee, nuts, fruit, candy.

Protestant service 2:00 p. m.—Rev. Lewis Raymond.

Prelude—Marie Motley.

Doxology, Prayer, Gloria.

Hymn, "Joy to the World"—Choir and congregation.

Scripture reading—Rev. Raymond.

Responsive reading—Cecile Manning.

Hymn, "O Come All Ye Faithful"—Choir.

Solo, "O Holy Night" (Adams)—Mrs. Lewis Raymond, Ralph Robbins, accompanist.

Sermon, "The Christmas Story"—Rev. Raymond.

Hymn, "Silent Night"—Choir and congregation.

Benediction.

Lutheran services, 3:00 p.m.—Rev. E. F. Tonn.

MONDAY, DEC. 26

Holiday.

TUESDAY, DEC. 27

Jewish services, 10:00 a.m.—Rabbi Lewis Satlow.

Matinee movie, 1:30 p.m.

Community sing, 7:30 p.m.

Picture show, featuring "Neptune's Daughter," in technicolor, with Esther Williams and Red Skelton.

Short—Modern Pioneers.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 28

Patients' annual Christmas holiday dance—Matinee dance, 1:30 p.m.

Evening dance, 7:30 p.m.

SPECIAL ENTERTAINMENT

Song and dance—Diane Sassenberger.

Accordion solo—Thelma Vieira.

Vocal solo—Joan Benson.

Toe and tap dance—Sharon Hegarty. Accompanist, Virginia Sassenberger.

Baton twirling—Carolyn Jean Williams.

THURSDAY, DEC. 29

Carnival, 2:00 p.m.—Games of all types and prizes for patients.

Afternoon party (Group 1).

Evening party (Group 2)—7:30 p.m.

Music by Jacksonville State Hospital band.

FRIDAY, DEC. 30

Matinee movie, 1:30 p.m.—Featuring "In the Good Old Summer Time," in technicolor, with Judy Garland and Van Johnson.

Short—"Bermuda."

SATURDAY, DEC. 31

New Year's Eve dance and watch party, 8:00 p.m. (Balloons, confetti, fancy hats, noisemakers).

Floor show and refreshments.

Music by Jacksonville State Hospital orchestra.

Floor Show Specialty Numbers

Morocco dance—Hopper Studio.

Wilma Dobbs, soloist.

Vocal solo—Judy Prather.

Clown dance—Hopper Studio.

Diane Sassenberger, soloist.

Accordion—Marjorie Prather.

Baton Trio—Barbara Stevens.

Joyce Watts, Patsy Shannon.

SUNDAY, JAN. 1, 1950

Mass, 8:00 a.m.—Rev. F. F. Formaz.

Colored services, 10:00 a.m.—Rev. S. S. Waddell.

Protestant services, 2:00 p.m.—Rev. Frank Marston.

Lutheran services, 3:00 p.m.—Rev. E. F. Tonn.

New Year's dinner, 12:00 noon—Prime rib of beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, creamed corn, cabbage and pineapple salad, apple pie and cheese, bread, butterine milk.

Union barber shops will close Saturday, Dec. 24th, at 5:30 p.m.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE

Christmas Masses At Our Saviour's Begin At 5:30 A. M.

Services at the Church of Our Saviour on Christmas Day will begin with the solemn Mass at 5:30 a. m. Rev. Dean Formaz will be the celebrant of the Mass with two assistant priests acting as deacon and sub-deacon.

Preceding this Mass the choir, under direction of Mrs. A. M. Elsch will sing various carols. The sermon at this Mass will be preached by Rev. Athanasius Sommerfield of the Franciscan Order.

Immediately following, there will be a succession of Masses until nine o'clock. At that hour there will be another high Mass with sermon. At half past five, the senior choir will sing the Mass setting of Vito Carnevali and at nine o'clock the Georgian Mass of the Fifth Tone will be chanted by the junior choir, under the direction of Sister Ursula Thompson.

The usual confessions for the parish will be heard on Saturday afternoon and evening.

William B. Handy, Retired Waverly Farmer, Expires

Waverly—William Belvin Handy, retired farmer of the Waverly community, died Friday at 1:30 a. m. at Springfield Memorial hospital, where he had been a patient for several weeks.

Born April 13, 1886, in Greene county, Ky., Mr. Handy was the son of Edward W. and Betty Clark Handy. He was married on March 5, 1909, to Nettie May Hancock.

She survives, together with two sons, Paul and James of Waverly; three daughters, Mrs. Hazel Treat of Loami, Mrs. Frances Dunseth of Waverly and Mrs. Lois Killam of Jacksonville; three brothers, George of Waverly, Leslie of Auburn and Herbert of Greensburg, Ky.; a sister, Mrs. Myrtle Karnes of Louisville, Ky.; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Clark of Auburn; and ten grandchildren.

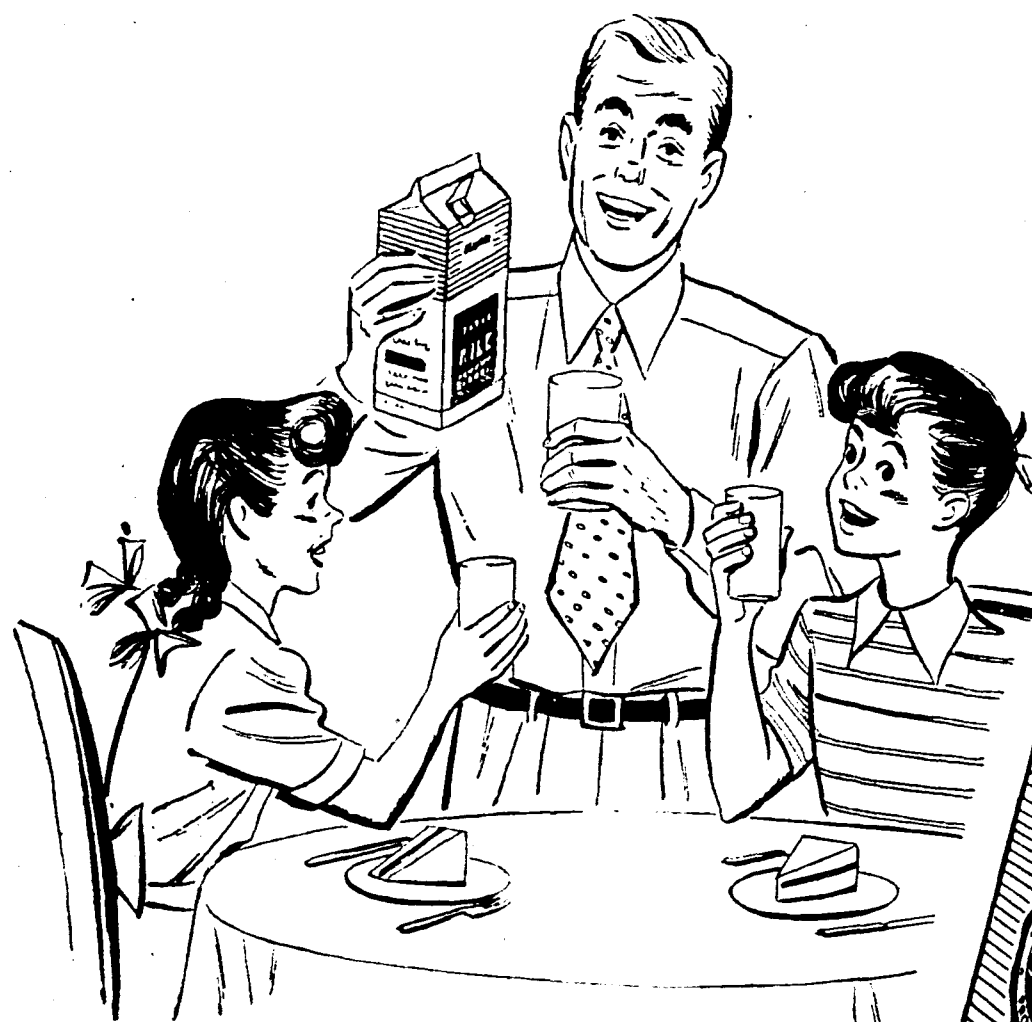
The body is at the Neece funeral home in Waverly. Services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday at the Methodist church, with burial in the Auburn cemetery.

ELDERED WOMAN DIES

Mrs. Julia King of Eldred died Friday at 10 a. m. at Our Saviour's hospital. The body was taken to the Mehl Funeral Home in Carrollton.

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100 cubes 20c. Economical package 200 cubes 40c.
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Washington—(AP)—A plan to give Ireland a statue of Johnny Barry, Irish-born first commodore of the American Navy, has been revived. President Truman has named a committee to choose a sculptor for the statue, for which funds were voted by Congress before the war.

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Junior Red Cross Makes Holiday Favors For Vets

Place units consisting of nut cups, tray covers and tray favors, menu covers, book marks, place cards and decorated napkins, made by members of the Junior Red Cross in the city and county schools have been delivered to the veterans' unit at the Jacksonville State hospital, the Morgan County Poor Farm, the Christian Home for the Aged and Oaklawn Sanatorium by Mrs. Frank Corrington, chairman of the volunteer service committee, Mrs. Arthur Lauf, and Mrs. James Bunch, members of the committee.

Miss Marguerita Schoedsack, chairman of the Junior Red Cross committee stated that members in the following schools made these attractive decorations and favors: Morton School, Mrs. Ada Barton, teacher, 75 place units; Illinois School for the Blind, Sight-Saving Room, Miss Helen Sheehan, teacher, 50 place units; Alexander Grade school, Mrs. Thelma Daly, principal,

100 place units; Waverly Grade school, Forrest Moore, principal, 100 place units, decorations and napkins; Jacksonville High school, Miss Anna Posters and menu covers; Meredosa D. Doan, instructor, wall hangings, Grade school, 50 tray covers, Walter Cook, principal; Jefferson school, Miss Clara C. Cobb, principal, 500 place units made under the direction of Miss Schoedsack.

Directors Submit Reports At Red Cross Meeting

Directors of the Morgan County Red Cross chapter submitted regular reports at the meeting held Monday evening in the Red Cross office.

Those present were Robert J. Kaufmann, chairman, Mrs. Nellie Rice, Miss Ann Bellatti, Mrs. Andrew Ridder, Miss Frances Frisch, Robert A. DuBois, Howard Reynolds, Mrs. Arthur French, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Garlich, Mrs. Lena Dixon Dietz, Karl Baker, Cecil Wegheoff, Literberry, and Alma Mackness executive secretary.

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By Jimmy Hatlo

BUT WHEN TIMES UP-Isn't it strange? SHE'S RIGHT ON THE BALL SPECIALLY IF YOU HAVEN'T ANY CHANGE...



Charles Simmons Of Greene County Claimed By Death

White Hall—Charles Simmons, longtime resident of the Roodhouse community, died Thursday at 10:30 p. m., at a nursing home in Jerseyville.

Mr. Simmons was born in Scott county on Nov. 4, 1880. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, and one son, who died in infancy.

A son, Lee, of White Hall, and three grandchildren survive.

The body is at the Dawdy Funeral Home in White Hall where Rev. Albert Monroe will conduct last rites at 2 p. m. Saturday. Burial will be in Jones cemetery.

Hospital, Church, Relatives Named In Seymour Will

A hospital, church, and a number of relatives and friends are named beneficiaries in the will of the late Finis A. Seymour, well known farmer and auctioneer of near Franklin.

Passavant Memorial hospital and the Franklin Methodist church were each bequeathed \$500 to be held for endowment and the net income used for general purposes.

Mr. Seymour left \$200 to Glenn Mulligan and William Mulligan; \$250 Lucy Brainer; \$500 and all household furnishings to a niece, Evelyn Seymour.

He directed that the remainder of the estate be converted into cash and divided into 12 equal shares, one share to be paid to each of the following: Julius Seymour, Martha Hawkins, Hallie Hicks, Evelyn Seymour, June Thompson, Hilma Hawkins, Marjorie Helliwell, Lawrence Withersbee, Helen Darley, Charles Darley, Meta Darley and Mary Darley.

A sister, Martha Hawkins, and niece, Evelyn Seymour, were named in the will to serve as executors. Mr. Seymour made his will Oct. 10, 1946, with Coral G. Trabue, Bruce Thompson and William E. Thomson as witnesses to the signature.

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Out Of Army



Robert M. Farmer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Farmer, rural route six, Jacksonville, arrived here this week from Fort Ord, Calif., where he received his discharge from the army.

Farmer was one of seven men drafted from Jacksonville last December. He received his basic training at Camp Breckenridge, Ky., and in March was sent to Fort Bliss, Tex., for a 23-week period of anti-aircraft training. He had been at Fort Ord since September.

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Fire Department Saves Oster Home On North Main

The five room residence of James Oster and family on the North Main street road, a half mile north of the city, was saved from destruction early Friday morning after fire broke out in the basement.

The family lost a number of articles of clothing from the fire, which burned its way into a closet where it was checked by the fire department.

Firemen used a line from a booster pump to good advantage, extinguishing the blaze on joists and the floor without pumping all the water from the booster tank.

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Mystery Pals Of Alexander Group Exchange Gifts

Christmas gifts for Mystery Pals were distributed during a meeting of the W. S. C. S. of the Alexander Methodist church at the home of Mrs. Roy Robinson.

The program was in charge of Mrs. Albert Swain, and devotions were conducted by Mrs. William Robinson. Chapter II from the mission study book, "Sharing the Blessings of the Home," was given by Mrs. Emmett Brown.

Refreshments in keeping with the holiday season were served. Mrs. William Clayton was a guest of the society.

The next meeting will be held Jan. 4 with Mrs. Leo Ward as hostess.

\$8 Stolen From Service Station On South Main

Police are investigating the burglary of the Phillips 66 service station, South Main street and Morton avenue, which occurred early Friday morning. The cash drawer was rifled and \$8 was stolen, along with several cartons of cigarettes.

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Saturday Summary Time is eastern standard. For central standard subtract one hour; for mountain standard two hours.

9:00—Mind Your Manners—nbc
9:15—Barnyard Follies—cbs
9:30—Coffee in Washington—nbc
10:00—Fred Waring Show—nbc
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10:30—Merry Lee Taylor—nbc
10:45—Children's Program—nbc
11:00—News: Let's Pretend—cbs
11:15—Coast Guard Parade—nbc
11:30—Smiling Ed McConnell—nbc
11:45—Junior Miss Drama—cbs
12:00—Roger Dunn Show—nbc
12:15—Man on the Farm—nbc

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1:45—Grand Central Drama—cbs
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5:30—Concert Hall—nbc
5:45—Dave Stephens Show—cbs
6:00—Overseas Report—cbs
6:15—Dance Band—nbc
6:30—Science Adventures—cbs
6:45—Farm News—cbs
7:00—Caribbean Crossroads—nbc
7:15—Cross-Section USA—cbs
7:30—To Be Announced (1 1/2 hr.)—cbs
7:45—Dun on Discs—nbc
8:00—News and Crumpets—nbc
8:15—Sports Parade—nbc
8:30—Report on America—nbc
8:45—Stan Douglas Show—cbs
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Beloit Five Aren't Very Tall But They Can Sure Hit The Hoop

Arenzville Drops Plymouth In 60-30 Duel Friday Night

Arenzville — The Arenzville five trounced the Plymouth squad on the home floor Friday night by a 60 to 30 margin. The home crew took the lead in the first part of the game and were never again headed. Don Wessler had a field day in field goals, dropping in 13. These added to his 3 gift shots gave him a total of 29 points, almost as much as the entire Plymouth aggregation.

Miller was high point man for the losers, making ten points.

In the preliminary contest, the visiting seconds edged the Arenzville five 57 to 51.

Arenzville	FG	FT	TP
M. Wessler	1	0	2
Lovickamp	3	2	8
West	1	0	2
D. Wessler	13	3	29
Kleinschmidt	0	1	1
Fricke	1	0	2
Carls	3	0	6
Schnittker	4	1	9
McLoud	0	1	1
Totals	26	8	60
Plymouth	FG	FT	TP
Hiltz	0	1	1
Miller	4	2	10
Lokson	3	2	8
Van Sleet	2	1	5
Rash	0	0	0
Sargent	1	0	2
Rankin	1	2	4
Totals	11	8	30

Convicted Killer Leaves Sing Prison A Free Man

New York, Dec. 23 — (AP) — Louis Boy came home for Christmas today. Herodism had changed his apparently hopeless lot as a Sing Sing prisoner into a chance to begin again.

The 50-year-old convicted murderer walked out of jail a free man because he risked his life for a little girl doomed by leukemia, a cancerous blood disease. He was the first person who ever knowingly took the taint of the disease into his veins.

Voluntarily and without any promise of clemency Boy underwent a vein-to-vein exchange of blood last summer. The little girl died, but for his courage Gov. Thomas E. Dewey commuted his life sentence to time already served.

The world of Louis Boy had changed since he entered Sing Sing 18 years ago.

His hair is white. His wife has remarried. His children have grown up.

But Boy, a little man with a big smile, was not bitter.

"This has been the merriest Christmas I've ever had," he said.

His former wife, now Mrs. Joseph Correnti of Brooklyn, cried when she learned he was released.

She waited 11 years after the Italian-born Boy was convicted of first-degree murder because he had furnished guns with which a taxi-cab company night cashier was shot to death in a holdup.

Then in 1942 she remarried because under the law Boy was legally dead since he was sent to prison for life. Her second marriage was annulled and in 1944 she was wed to Correnti.

Bradley Rolls Over Fresno State In 83 to 51 Tilt

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 23 — (AP) — Bradley rolled up its seventh win in eight starts and its highest tally of the season tonight by trimming Fresno (Calif.) State 83-51 before some 8,000 fans in Robertson Fieldhouse.

Bradley, alternating first and second stringers throughout, coasted into a 44-25 halftime lead and kept ahead of the visitors by at least 13 points in the final half.

The Braves, led by Paul Unruh with 17 points, made 35 out of 79 field goal attempts.

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Southern Coaches In A Dither Over Big Northern Line

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 23 — (AP) — A big, rugged Yankee line had southern coaches all but talking to themselves today even before football starts for the blue-gray practice game.

Said Texas' Blair Cherry, head man on the Rebels' coaching staff: "What a lot of beef the north is going to have up front. From what I hear it must be terrific. It just means we're going to have to use a wide open style of play and try to out-guess 'em."

He referred to the eight blue line-men who boast more than 200 pounds of meat on their powerful bones.

Brown University's tackle Don Olo, who weighs 250; Don Dettorre, Penn tackle, 235; Lyle Button, Illinois tackle, 225; Don Winslow, another tackle from Iowa, 223; Notre Dame's tackle Gus Cifelli, 215, and Guards Joe Drazenovich of Penn State, Bernie Barkouskie of Pitt and Al Schmidt of Villanova, 205 each.

The north's head coach, Ray Eliot of Illinois, couldn't let such talk go by, however, without a few observations of his own. And they weren't optimistic.

Plan For Schools To Tell Athletic Payrolls Advances

Kansas City, Dec. 23 — (AP) — President Milton S. Eisenhower of Kansas State picked up support today for his proposal that schools come clean on their athletic payrolls.

His opposite number at the University of Nebraska, Chancellor R. G. Gustavson, said "I see no particular reason for not giving out information like that."

Attorney James E. Campbell, president of the University of Missouri Alumni Association here, said "Our alumni are 100 per cent behind Eisenhower despite the fact we pay less than Kansas State."

The Kansas City Star will say editorially Friday the Eisenhower plan would end charges of "hypocrisy and pretense."

Eisenhower, whose more famous brother, Dwight D. Eisenhower, is president of Columbia University, announced yesterday that Kansas State was going to accelerate its lagging sports program. He disclosed that 77 students were on the payroll at a maximum wage of \$60 a month — \$5 in football and \$2 in basketball — "and give anything," he said. "If all the colleges would publish their job lists and their payrolls."

Kansas State's pay scale for half-backs and forwards appears to be par for the conference.

Adjudge Death Of European Jewel Thief A Suicide

London, Dec. 23 — (AP) — A society sportsman who may have directed some of Europe's biggest jewel thefts was adjudged a suicide today because "he knew that x x x the net was closing about him."

Barry Holliday, alias Fieldsend, 51, was found shot to death in a hotel room in the fashionable suburb of Virginia Water Wednesday.

Nearby was a cane-gun, a walking stick concealing a .410 bore chamber.

The suicide verdict was returned at an inquest conducted by Dr. J. Murray Robertson, coroner.

Detectives delving into Holliday's life turned up £100,000 (\$280,000) in jewels. More were hunted. Scotland yard suspected it might find at least part of the £200,000 worth of jewelry stolen from the Duchess of Windsor at Sunningdale in 1946.

Holliday left a note in his hotel room giving his name and address. It ran the postscript: "I should have been fishing today."

Holliday's respectable friends knew him as a semi-retired dealer in precious stones. Underworld contacts called him "society Bertie" and "Johnny the gent."

'Turkey Throw' Turns Into Riot; 2 Persons Injured

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Dec. 23 — (AP) — The annual junior chamber of commerce "turkey throw" today turned into quite a riot and two persons were taken to hospitals, one of them critically hurt.

The Jaycees tossed six turkeys out of the third floor window of the court house. The battle then started. Police broke up the melee and called ambulances for the two injured.

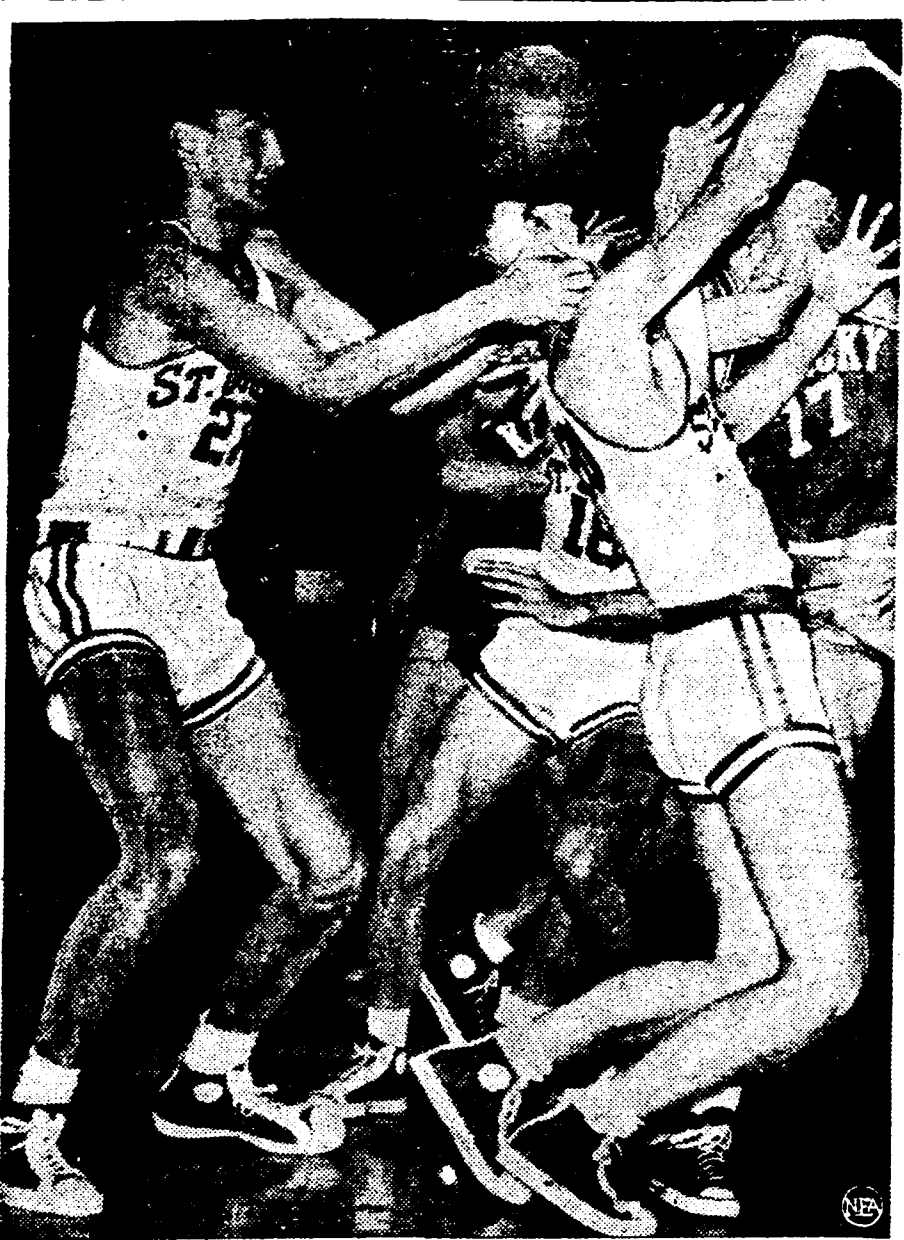
Paul Wilson, 80-year-old negro, suffered a broken leg and hip and a boy whose name was not immediately learned was carried to a hospital by friends.

When it was all over, a spokesman for the junior chamber declared: "Never again will we do it."

The turkeys? At least two of them were killed in the crush and literally torn to pieces.

Ohio State Nips California 78-67

Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 23 — (AP) — Ohio State's basketball team handed barnstorming California its fourth straight defeat tonight, 78-67, on the strength of an early scoring burst.



HEAD DRIBBLE — Ray Tully of St. John's borrows soccer technique, uses fancy headwork in scramble for ball during Madison Square Garden game with Kentucky. Bob Zawoluk doesn't seem to be helping much by pulling teammate off balance, while Al McGuire, 18, and Wildcats' Bill Spivey, 77, join in the tussle. The Brooklyn Redmen downed Kentucky, 69-58.

Viriden Holiday Entry Leads MSM Conference

Leon Hart Comes To Bolster East Charity Squad

San Francisco, Dec. 23 — (AP) — Huge Leon Hart, All-America end, and two Notre Dame teammates arrived Thursday to bolster morale in the East's football training camp at Santa Clara.

Accompanying Hart were guard Jim Martin, another All-America, and Frank Spaniel, fullback.

Practices by the eastern squad for the East-West charity game here Dec. 31, have been rather haphazard since Monday due to the absence of such key men as the Notre Dame trio.

Army's Arnod Galiffa, also of All-America stature and slated for first string T-formation quarterbacking duties, is due tomorrow.

Eastern mentors Bernie Bierman, Tuss McLaughry and Andy Kerr sent their men through a strenuous morning session devoted almost entirely to pass plays.

Hart was assigned to left end and impressed onlookers with his ball catching ability. The 6-foot 4-inch Notre Dame giant weighed 260 pounds, some 15 pounds over his college playing weight.

There has been some talk Hart may be used as a fullback but the eastern coaches have made no decision as of yet.

The backfield line-up used this morning consisted of Pete Dorsey of Cornell at quarterback; Lynn Chandross of Michigan State at left half; Harry Szuborski of Purdue at right half and Art Murakowski of Northwestern at fullback.

At the West's camp at nearby Stanford University, head man Matty Bell singled out centers Jim Castagnoli of Stanford and Tom Novak of Nebraska for their hard charging performances.

Husband Wounds Estranged Wife, Then Kills Self

Chicago, Dec. 23 — (AP) — A husband shot and wounded his estranged wife today, police said, and killed himself beneath a Christmas tree in her north side room.

He was David Savio, 55, who left a note which Detective John Cooney reported, read "I'm sick and I'm depressed. I have nothing and no one to live for."

His wife of 23 years, Maria, 45, said she told him she ducked after the first shot and that Savio fired again. She saw him turn the pistol on himself as she fell.

Mrs. Savio said he came to the rooming house at 1528 North LaSalle street today, talked to her a while, asked for money, then fired before she could answer.

EGYPT TO RESIST U.N.

Cairo, Egypt, Dec. 23 — (AP) — An Arab news agency dispatch tonight from Amman, Hashemite Jordan, quoted King Abdullah as saying he will fight any attempt to enforce the United Nations' internationalization of Jerusalem.



PAY LINE — Jockey A. Monteiro nears finish aboard Meangén. on rail, to complete \$224.60 daily double in Tropical Park. Finishing in order of line at Coral Gables, Fla., track are The Prophet, War Page and Galla Babe.

Kentucky Easily Overcomes Purdue In 60-54 Contest

Lafayette, Ind., Dec. 23 — (AP) — Kentucky's Wildcats doubled the score on Purdue's basketball team in the first half tonight and survived a late Purdue drive for a 60-54 victory.

A capacity crowd of 10,000 saw Kentucky hit eight of its first 12 shots from the field—five of the counters being tossed from far out on the floor.

The defending NCAA champion's hot shooting at the start piled up a 17-6 margin and unnerved Purdue's Boiler-makers for the rest of the period. Kentucky held a 34-17 advantage at the intermission.

The Wildcats maintained their commanding lead until midway in the second half, when guard Howard Williams sparked a Purdue rally that gradually cut the 17-point gap to six.

Walter Hirsch's one-handed shots from well out on the floor flipped the nets five times in the last 20 minutes to keep Purdue from overtaking the lead. The Kentucky forward was high scorer for the winners with 14 points.

Williams' 17 points topped both teams.

Purdue made only 18 of 36 free throws to Kentucky's 12 of 19.

Army Gridders Spending Time Making Up Tests

New York, Dec. 23 — (AP) — Three top members of Army's unbeaten football team are spending the early part of their Christmas vacation taking make-up examinations in mathematics, it was learned today.

The three are fullback Gil Stephenson of Columbus, Ga., halfback James Cain of Raleigh, N. C., and Don Foldberg of Dallas, Tex.

If they pass the examination the players will be eligible for future competition. If they fail, their individual cases will be reviewed to determine if the player should be dropped from the academy entirely or "turned back"—given another chance.

All three were potent parts of the Army football machine which defeated all opponents. Foldberg has been called one of the greatest ends on offense in recent eastern football history.

16-Year-Old Poses As AWOL Soldier To Get Into Army

Dayton, O., Dec. 23 — (AP) — How a 16-year-old boy posed as an AWOL soldier to get into the army was disclosed today in a U. S. commissioner's hearing.

Bobby Joe Taylor of Pineville, Ky., might still be an army prisoner, under a real soldier's name, if he had known close-order drill.

But he moved in the wrong direction when a sergeant barked "about face," so Bobby was yanked out of uniform and brought into court.

Today he pleaded guilty to a charge of impersonating a member of the armed forces. U. S. commissioner Charles Ozias sent him to the Hamilton county detention home at Cincinnati pending action by a federal grand jury.

Here is the account, as related by Bobby and federal agents:

Bobby tried to enlist, but was rejected because he was too young.

Twice, earlier this year, he was picked up by Cincinnati police for wearing a uniform. Each time he was released with a warning.

Later, in Knoxville, Tenn., he paid a stranger \$20 for a soldier's leave pass.

"In November, military police in Columbus, O., found him in the uniform of an air force private. Bobby showed the pass with a soldier's name listed on it. But the pass had expired, so Bobby was shipped to the stockade at Wright-Patterson Air Force base near here.

"I thought I'd keep my mouth shut," Bobby related, "and they wouldn't catch on to me."

Prisoner Breaks Self Of Smoking Habit In Solitary

Joliet, Ill., Dec. 23 — (AP) — A life term prisoner at Stateville penitentiary emerged today from 15 days self-imposed solitary confinement and announced proudly he had broken his smoking habit.

Gene McMinn, 35, had asked Warden Joseph E. Ragen to place him in the prison's segregation wing until he had cured himself of his addiction to cigarettes.

"I've tried to break this smoking habit for 13 years," he wrote the warden. "Please put me in solitary confinement."

Today McMinn told the warden he wanted to go back to "the regular group."

"After this I feel able to walk around a cigarette and pay it no heed," he said.

The prisoner added cheerfully that he had been treated as a "visitor" and received every consideration from the guards. He was sentenced to Stateville for life in 1936 upon conviction of murder and armed robbery.

Ragen, also a cigarette smoker, seemed impressed by the rare experiment. "I'm tempted to try it myself," he said.

Field Goal In Last 5 Seconds Gives U.C.L.A. 65-63 Win Over Illini

Champaign, Ill., Dec. 23 — (AP) — George Stanich's basket stemming from a fast break in the last five seconds tonight gave U.C.L.A. a 65-63 basketball victory over Illinois. It was the Illini's second defeat in seven starts.

After Illinois nabbed a 32-31 halftime edge, the two teams battled on even terms throughout the last section with never more than three points separating them.

The score was tied five times in the final 11 minutes. Eddie Sheldrake pumped in five of his total six baskets to pace the Uclans in the last half. When Illinois took a 45-43 lead, he dropped three fielders consecutively.

Roy Gatewood's one handed shot for Illinois tied the count 63-63 with 30 seconds to play. U.C.L.A. failed to score when it captured the ball. Illinois then missed an opportunity with the visitors getting the ball in the last five seconds. It was then that Stanich rammed in the winning shot.

Alan Sawyer topped U.C.L.A. with 15 points. The 6 foot 5 inch forward fouled out with 23 minutes to play. Carl Kraushaar with 14 points and Sheldrake with 12 rounded out the Bruins' well balanced attack.

Wally Osterkorn of Illinois took scoring honors with 20 points, nine of them in the last half.

Illinois pocketed only 13 free throws out of 30 attempts while U.C.L.A. made nine out of 13. It was the Bruins' fifth win in six starts.

U.C.L.A. (65) G F FT TP Joeckel, f 4 1 2 9 Sawyer, f 7 1 5 15 Norman, f 0 0 2 0 Saunders, f 0 0 0 0 Alper, f 0 0 1 0 Kraushaar, c 6 2 4 14 Alba, c 2 3 4 7 Stanich, g 3 2 4 8 Sheldrake, g 6 0 3 12 Seidel, g 0 0 1 0

Totals 28 9 26 65 Illinois (63) G F FT TP Erickson, f 5 5 2 15 Gatewood, f 5 1 4 11 Sunderlage, f 1 0 0 2 Osterkorn, c, f 8 4 3 20 Follmer, c 2 0 2 4 Thurlby, g 1 1 3 3 Anderson, g 2 1 2 4 Kersulis, g 1 0 1 2 Fletcher, g 0 1 1 1 Beach, g 0 0 1 0

Totals 25 13 17 63 Half time score: Illinois 32; U.C.L.A. 31.

Free throws missed: U.C.L.A. — Sawyer 2, Alper, Kraushaar, Alban, Stanich 2, Sheldrake 3; Illinois — Erickson 2, Gatewood 2, Sunderlage 2, Osterkorn 7, Thurlby 2, Anderson, Fletcher.

Betting Drops 1/2 Million Dollars At Tropical Park

Miami, Fla., Dec. 23 — (AP) — A half million dollar drop in betting during the first 18 days of thoroughbred racing at Tropical park was reported today.

The state racing commission said mutual pool was \$508,203 below the 1948 figure for the same period. Attendance dropped 1,684.

The figures: This year 103,395 people bet \$6,174,802 in the initial 18 days of racing; last year 105,079 persons wagered \$6,883,005.

The racing commission said the decrease was in line with conditions reported at other tracks throughout the nation during summer and fall seasons.

U. Of Iowa Swamps Carnegie 73-42

Iowa City, Ia., Dec. 23 — (AP) — Center Frank Calsbeek scored 18 points in the first half tonight to lead the University of Iowa to a 73-42 basketball victory over Carnegie Tech.

Calsbeek hit a free throw in the opening minute to give Iowa a lead it never lost.

Frigid Carnegie Tech went for nearly five minutes without a free throw, and midway in the half trailed 23-9. The halftime score was 35-20.

Calsbeek hit eight of 15 shots in the first half, and was lifted as the Hawkeyes started substituting freely after the intermission. He also controlled most of the rebounds when he was in the game.

With six minutes left in the game, Iowa had doubled the score, 60-30, on the easterners.

Mike Theodore, who hit nine of 10 free throws, was high scorer for Carnegie with 13. John Riehl was next with 11.

It was Iowa's 43rd consecutive victory over a non-conference foe on the Hawkeyes' home floor.

Carnegie hit only 13 of 78 shots for a .166 average. Iowa connected on 27 of 74 for .365.

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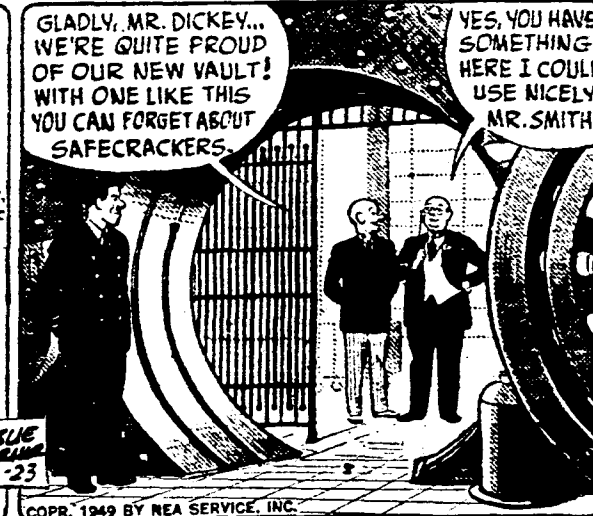
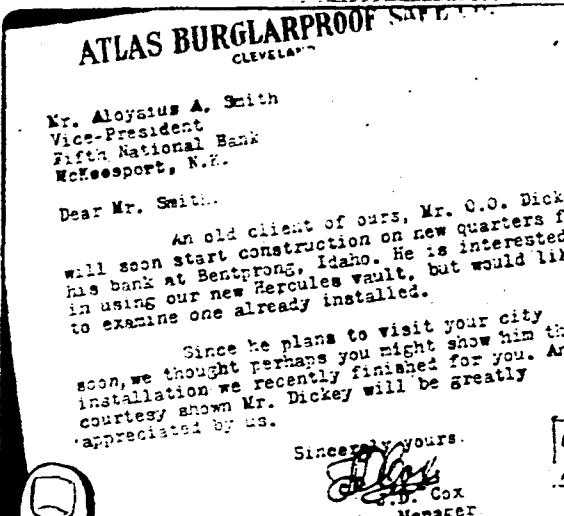
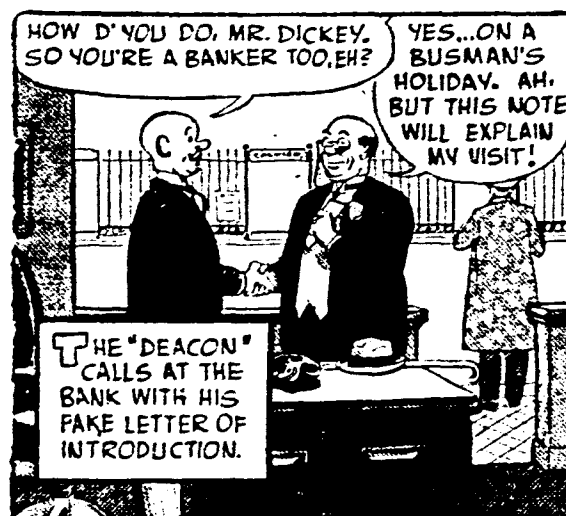
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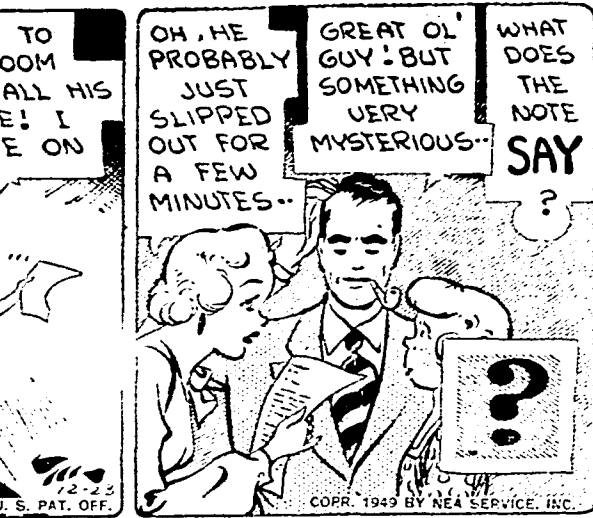
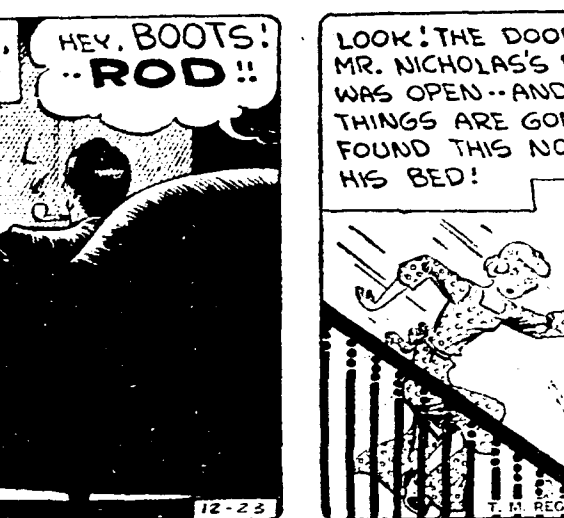
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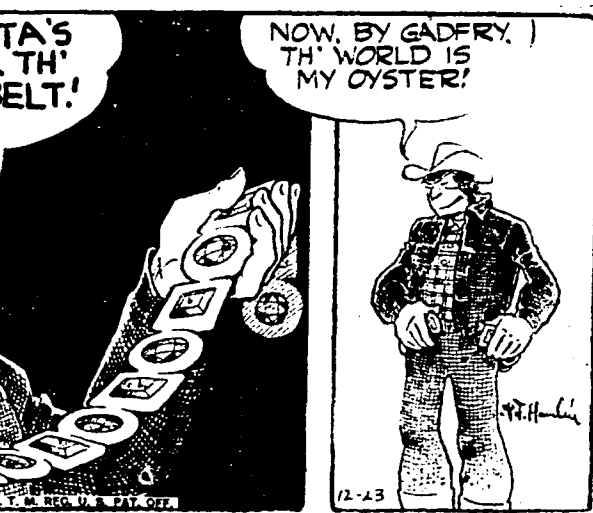
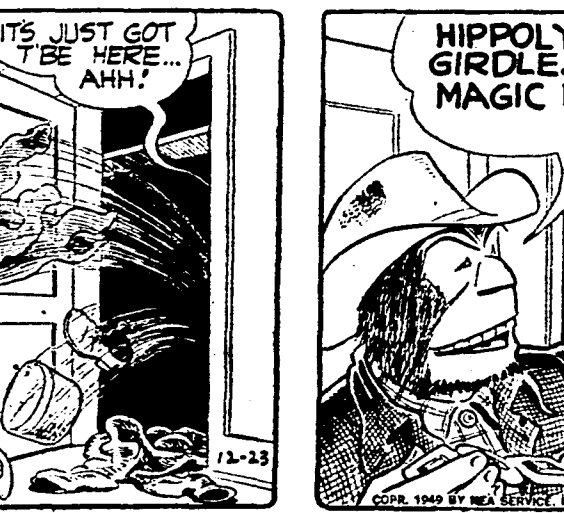
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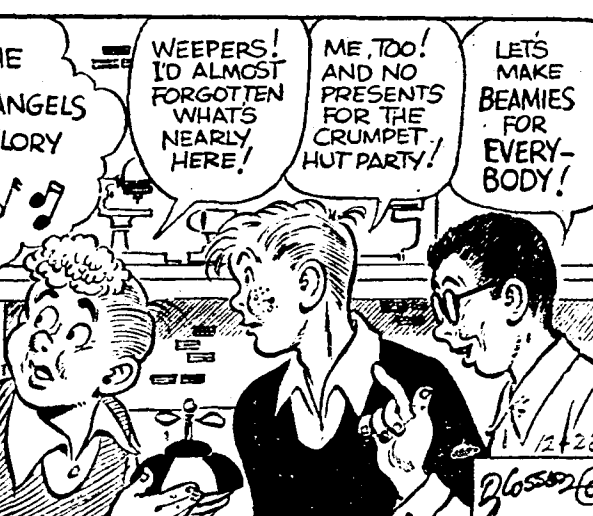
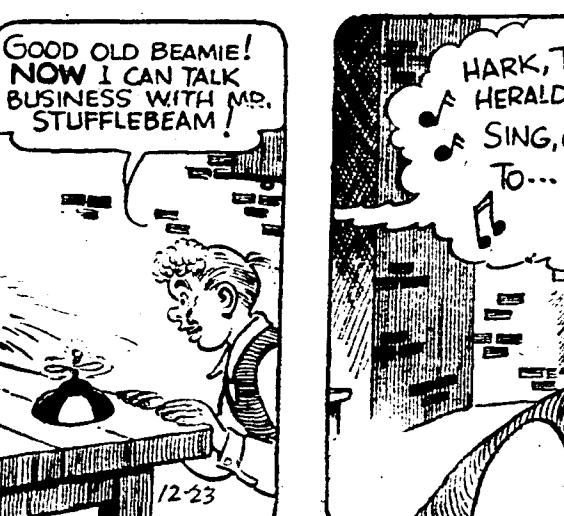
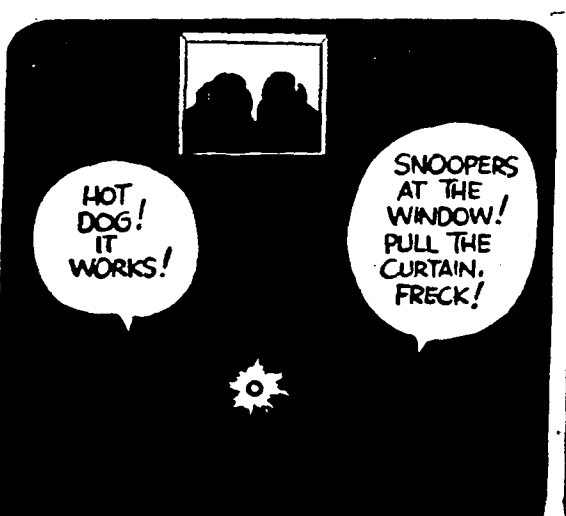
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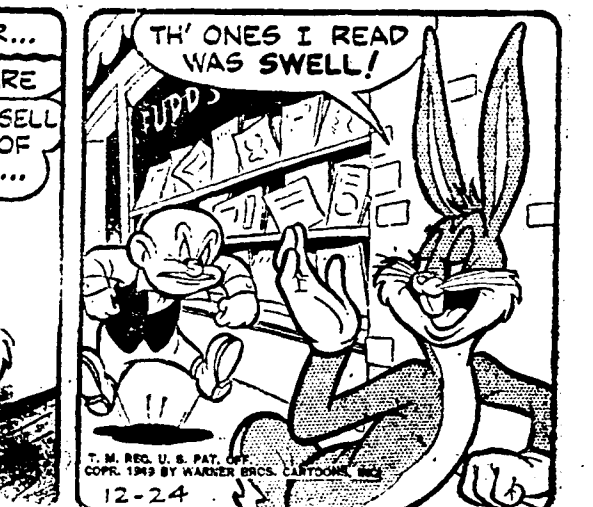
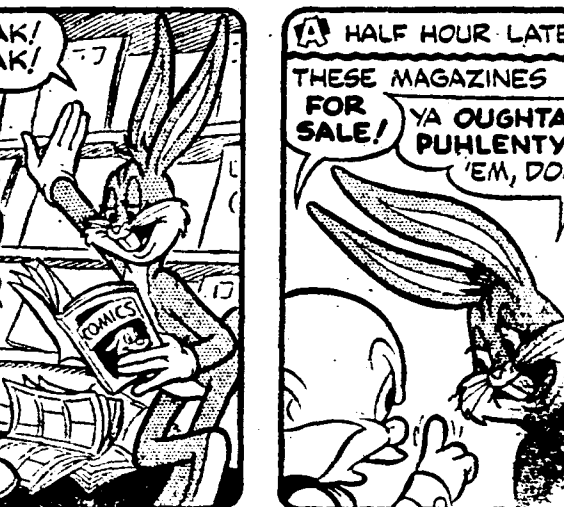
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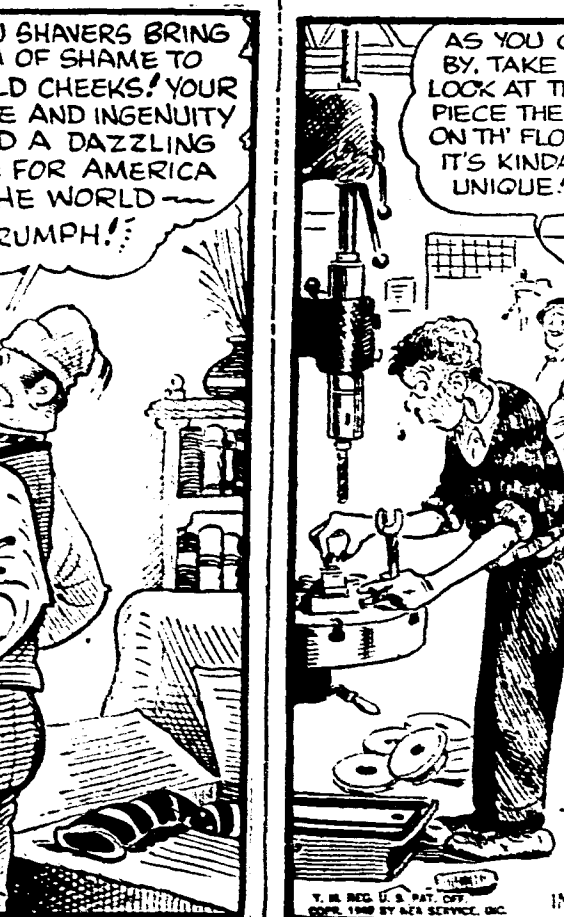
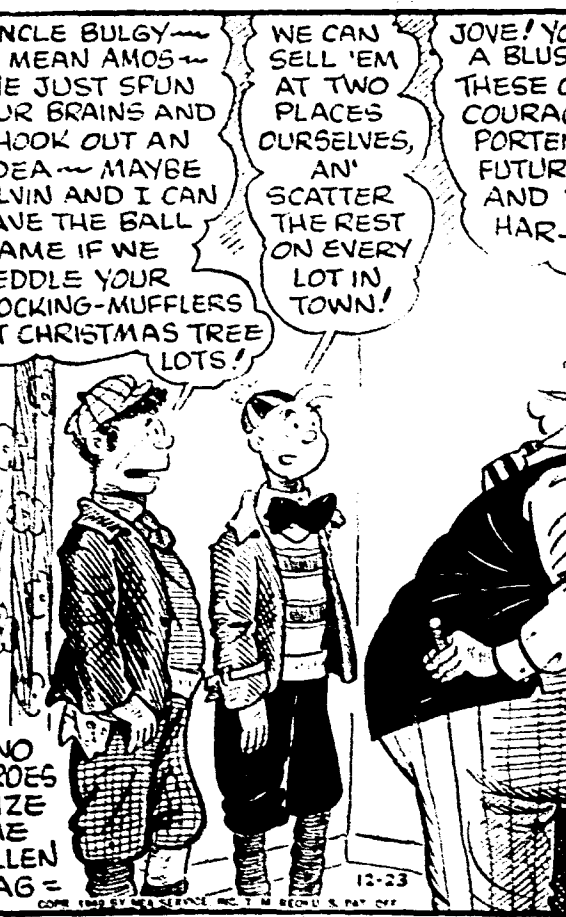


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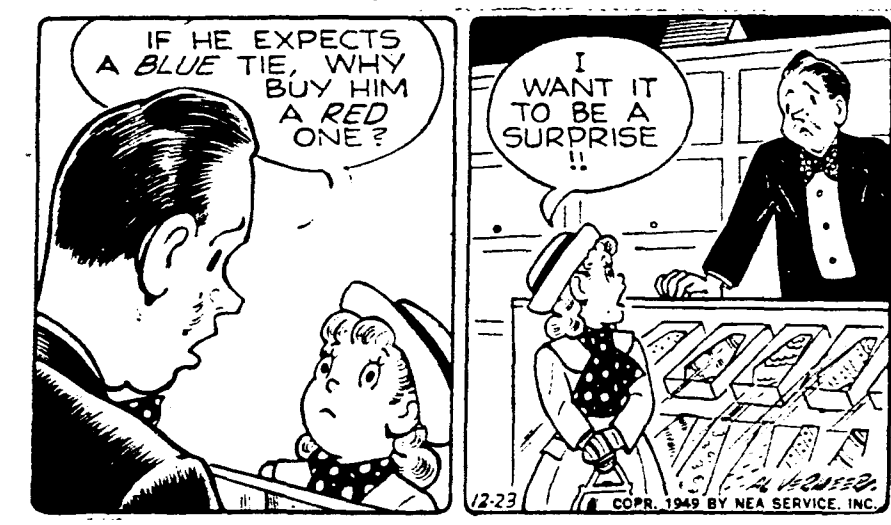
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By Evelyn Barkins

THE STORY: After John and I eloped and found a 4-room apartment to serve as both office and home. Next we started waiting for John's first patient. But patients don't flock to a new doctor's office and John has yet to have his first professional case. One night when we slipped out for a few minutes for a midnight phone call. It was the hospital with a broken leg case, but John wasn't home to get the call.

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THAT very night, however, as if to reinforce our warning courage, we came wonderfully close to the McCoy. The front bell rang at midnight, a time we both come subsequently to recognize as the most awful moment to be disturbed during the deep, blissful comfort of that first, sound sleep.

"Emergency!" we breathed excitedly, hopping out of bed.

Now any older timer in the medical practice who has personally reached the peak of success in his callings, as symbolized by his emphatic refusal to answer any night calls at all, ever if General Eisenhower himself were to make them, always preaches emergencies to the struggling newcomer. "Upon such an occasion," the gospel tells, "when time is of the essence, and blood flowing, the patient can't stop to bother about whether he likes Dr. Wilson better than Dr. Black. He will turn to any doctor—even you—if the nearest source in his moment of need. And from this patient's gratitude, your practice is made."

"Sounds to me," said John when he first heard it, "like a good way for Dr. Wilson and Dr. Black to insure their own good night's rest; but beggars can't be choosers, and I'll take anything."

It was therefore with glorious visions of gory injury, meaning anything from an enucleated eye to a gunshot wound, although I might have settled for a dangling arm, that I tied my robe and rushed to open the door. Alas! There stood an enormous dog who was an obvious first cousin to a giant dinosaur, with his owner, a

big, blond annoyingly healthy-looking boy of 18. As I slid from view before this spectacle (and in complete honesty I must confess that a midge Pekinese would have produced a similar effect), John took over and said: "What is it?"

VAINLY I searched for some obvious hurt as the boy stepped closer to speak. "My dog, bit me," he said, and I brightened hopefully.

"When?" asked John.

"Yesterday," was the innocent reply.

How well I can recall my shocked indignation as I heard him casually explain his midnight visit! And how amused I can be today as I realize from my greater experience that emergencies usually mean either a patient who can't sleep and doesn't see why the doctor should either, or a man who has finally consented to a medical examination and doesn't care what time it is, or a nervous woman in need of psychological reassurance.

"Well, you see," the boy went on hurriedly, suddenly seeming to grasp what time it was, "Tiny's bitten me before, but I got to wondering tonight if maybe she might have rabies, so I got scared. And I thought you could take a quick look at her, and let me know, because if you think so, I'll need treatment."

A bargain's a bargain, I began to think pleasantly until John, after a cursory glance at the quiet, intelligent-looking animal, said: "Well, I don't know too much about dogs, but this one seems all right."

At which the fond owner offered eagerly, "She is beautiful, isn't she?" as it were 2 o'clock in the afternoon and we had stopped at a pet show.

"But," John continued, completely ignoring the interruption, "you'd better take her over to the vet or the Department of Health tomorrow just to play safe. If

you'd like, though," he finished hopefully, looking at the nasty scratch bite the boy had shown, "I'll be glad to cauterize your wound with nitric acid. Keep it from getting infected."

I might have forgiven him anything had he at least consented to that, but the boy hurriedly shook his head and began backing out.

"No thank you," he said politely, as if he were refusing a second helping of pie a la mode, "but if it's not rabies, I'll just do what I always do when she bites me—put a little iodine on, and let it alone."

EVEN my mother's daily telephone call, grew more and more frantic. "No one at all?" she would repeat sadly, and then add in that false, cheerful, "But don't worry dear. Something's bound to happen tomorrow."

Freda, too, was wonderfully sympathetic. "If only my Karl would hurt himself," she said yearningly. "He always does, but now when you need it, he doesn't. And he always goes to the doctor in the building when it happens."

At first I was shocked at the brutal idea. Then I said: "But Freda, we wouldn't take any money from you in any case," since neither John nor I had any illusions about a superintendent's salary.

"Of course not," she laughed at my ignorance. "When my old man gets hurt—and I don't make him do it, but he's always bound to twist his back shoveling coal or slip when clearing the ice, nothing serious you see—well it's always a compensation case. No body pays."

This blunt summation of the millions of dollars expended annually to and for injured workmen startled me then, but actually it is the average employee's impression of the workmen's compensation laws.

But Freda meant well. "Maybe," she finished, patting my hand sympathetically, "any day now Karl will do it again!"

Then our first live patient turned up very, very early the next morning and it was, of all things, an emergency.

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17. Rodent
18. Parent
19. Treats
21. Preposition
22. Volcano in Sicily
24. Prayer ending
26. Sow
27. Female horse
28. Three-toed sloth
29. Paid (ab.)
30. Sun god
31. Luteum (ab.)
32. Vegetable
34. Gaelic
37. Monster
38. Thoroughfare
39. Correlative of either
40. Clouds
46. Mixed type
47. Beverage
49. Worship
50. Decay
51. Endeavor
53. Singing voices
55. Cloys
56. Seed vessels

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1. Having feet
2. Chill
3. Italian river
4. Sea eagle

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Jury Exonerates Driver In Fatal Traffic Accident

A coroner's jury last night exonerated Simon Hickey, 934 Freedman street, of all blame in connection with the fatal death of Ralph McGee, 27 year old Springfield man, who was fatally injured Thursday night when he was struck on West Lafayette avenue by a car driven by Hickey.

Coroner C. H. Muehlhausen conducted the inquest at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Gillham Funeral Home. The jury heard three witnesses: Mr. Hickey, John McGee, brother of the accident victim, and Patrolman Ernest Smith.

The jury found Hickey's death was caused by a skull fracture sustained as a result of an unavoidable accident when he walked into a Chevrolet driven by Simon Hickey, "who is exonerated of all blame."

The jury was comprised of Charles K. Warzar, foreman; William G. Scott, Frank Sullivan, Roland Mellett, Karl Derksen and Frank J. Vierra.

Nancy Schindler was the inquest stenographer.

The body will be taken from the Gillham Funeral Home to the Nece Funeral Home in Waverly, funeral arrangements are incomplete.

Ralph McGee was born in Jacksonville on July 22, 1922. He was a veteran of World War II, serving overseas in the European theatre. He leaves his wife, Janet, and three children.

Hold Greenfield Home Bureau Meet And Elect Heads

Greenfield—Mrs. Glenn C. Smith received the members of the Rubicon Home Bureau at her home in this city Tuesday at a covered dish luncheon followed by a gift exchange.

Officers elected were: chairman, Mrs. Howard Hobson; vice chairman, Mrs. Maurice L. Melvin; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Frank Witt; recreation chairman, Mrs. Ebert Kincaid; publicity, Mrs. Grant Melvin; major leaders, Mrs. Thomas Ford, Mrs. George Arras, Mrs. James W. Martin, Mrs. Jesse Range, Mrs. Curtis Twichell and Mrs. Maurice James Melvin. Minor leaders are Mrs. Robert Walpole and Mrs. Ellis Walkington.

The local Masonic lodge A. F. and A. M. No. 129, and the Royal Arch Chapter No. 186, will hold a joint installation on Thursday, Dec. 29, at 7:30 p.m. The Eastern Star chapter will be guests. Following the installation an oyster banquet will be served.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hall of Chillicothe, Ohio, are the parents of a son, their first child, born Dec. 16. The grandfather is Clint Hall, butcher at the Roth grocery market here.

The L. C. Tendicks were hosts to the members of the Fleur-de-Lis club at their annual Christmas party Tuesday night. The guests were husbands of club members and Mrs. Hattie Roth and Miss Effie Thorpe of St. Louis. Mrs. Walter Tendick of Jacksonville, Mrs. Carl Marsh of Alton and Mrs. Ray Stickle.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hodapp and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Parks have returned from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Evan Moore in Oakhurst, Okla. They were accompanied by their aunt, Mrs. Tokie Prather, who will visit her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Moore.

A destructive fire struck the George N. Cole farm home at the southeast edge of the city Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Cole are spending the winter in Tucson, Ariz. Their sons, Darrell Cole and wife and Hubert Cole, who are occupying the home this winter, suffered severe losses in clothing and furniture.

CHURCHILL OBSERVES 50TH DATE OF ESCAPE FROM PRISON CAMP

London, Dec. 23.—(P)—Winston Churchill observed without comment today the 50th anniversary of his escape from a Boer War prison camp.

A war correspondent for the London Morning Post at the time of his capture, Churchill was taken during a Boer attack on an armored train raid by the British. He escaped later by hiding among bales of wool on a freight train.

The Boers offered a £25 reward for him "dead or alive" and their poster description of him read this way: "Indifferent build, walks with forward stoop, pale appearance, red-brown hair, small and hardly noticeable mustache, talks through his nose and cannot pronounce the letter 'S' properly."

DAILY DAWDLE SHOPPING DAY TO CHRISTMAS



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TWO CHAPTERS HOLD POTLUCK, XMAS PARTY

Gamma and Xi Alpha Upsilon chapters of Beta Sigma Phi held their annual potluck supper and Christmas party at the home of Miss Edith Ruyle, 716 W. Douglas avenue. Food, clothing and toys were brought by members to be given to a needy family.

"The Small One," a Christmas story by Charles Taswell, was read by Miss Janette Powell, and gifts were distributed to all from the Christmas tree.

Mrs. Norma Fredericks was a guest. The next meeting will be held Jan. 9.

Dried Egg Firms Ignore Market, Prices Tumble

Chicago, Dec. 23.—(P)—A price drop in eggs at country points was attributed today to withdrawal of government support operations until next year.

Eggs were reported selling at around 25 cents a dozen in downstate Illinois cities. This compares with an average government support price this year of 45 cents a dozen on a national basis, or about 35 cents in the mid-west surplus producing area.

Egg experts at the Chicago Mercantile Exchange explained what had happened in this fashion: "The government has been supporting eggs by buying dried eggs from processors who pay producers at least 35 cents a dozen for shell eggs. Eggs which have been broken for drying have been low quality, ungraded eggs."

The theory of this program has been that, if the government bought low quality eggs in dried form, it would reduce the total supply of shell eggs for consumer use and thus maintain prices for better quality shell eggs.

Purchases of dried eggs have been made each Tuesday. However, processors have been informed that no purchases will be made next Tuesday.

As a result, the processors have withdrawn from the egg market. This has caused the price of all grades of eggs, both good and low quality, to tumble in this country. The situation is further complicated, egg traders said, by the fact that no one knows what method the government will employ to support egg prices next year. It has said it will support them at 75 per cent of parity, but has not said how it will do it.

There just isn't any market at all for lower quality eggs now that processors have withdrawn from the market, one analyst said. "With a large number of those eggs going begging, it has dragged down the price of better grades."

Quincy Request Takes Roundabout Radio Trail Here

Forced to seek a different means of communication when the Quincy fleet storm pulled down all the wires, a mortician there used an amateur radio station to relay a message to the Cody and Son Memorial Home on Friday morning. It was a request that the latter prepare the body of a Quincy resident who died at a local hospital so that the Quincy man could come after it.

The request went over short wave to the station at Springfield which transmitted it to the state police radio. They in turn sent it via radio to the sheriff, Ralph Bourn.

Majestic Theatre To Reopen Sunday

The Fox Majestic theatre on East State street will reopen on Christmas Day, according to announcement made by B. M. Montee, manager of the Fox theatres in this city.

"Action and Comedy" is the policy under which the theatre will be operated. John Brummett will resume his position as house manager. Most of the other personnel formerly associated with the Majestic has also been retained.

The theatre will be open evenings only, except on Sunday. During the week, shows will begin at 6:30 p.m. On Sunday, shows will be continuous from 2 p.m.

The Majestic has been closed since last July.

CHURCH SERVICES
Methodist East Circuit, Rev. L. C. Pruehner, minister, Shiloh, no worship nor Sunday school. Asbury, no worship nor Sunday school. Salem, worship at 8 a.m. Sunday school and Christmas program at 9 a.m. Hebron, worship at 10 a.m.

Sinclair Woman's Club Holds Xmas Meet Wednesday

Four Christmas readings were arranged by Mrs. Charles Robinson, program chairman, for the annual holiday meeting of the Sinclair Woman's club at the home of Mrs. Roy E. Robinson Wednesday afternoon.

In the absence of the president Mrs. Charles Bealmer conducted the business session. The members answering roll call with a Christmas memory. A gift exchange was enjoyed after which refreshments were served. Guests of the hostess were Mrs. Robert Lonergan, Mrs. William Robinson, Mrs. William Clayton and Mrs. Roy H. Robinson.

"The Christmas Star" was read by Mrs. Roy E. Robinson, "Christmas Green" by Mrs. Donald Lowe, Dickens' "Christmas Carol" by Mrs. Lester Martin and "The World the Christ Child Saw" by Mrs. Charles Robinson.

The club adjourned to meet Jan. 18, with Mrs. Donald Lowe as program chairman. The hostess is to be announced later.

Thomas Fitzpatrick Hurt Last Night When Hit By Car

Thomas Fitzpatrick, 76 year old Jacksonville man residing at 336 E. Wolcott street, was painfully injured early Friday night when he was struck on North Clay avenue by a northbound car driven by Norman Crum of Bluffs, construction engine operator.

Mr. Crum had been visiting his fiancée, Miss Lola Shepherd, who is a patient at Our Saviour's hospital.

He told investigating police officers that he did not see Mr. Fitzpatrick until it was too late to stop. Mr. Fitzpatrick stepped from behind a city bus near the Wolcott-Clay avenue intersection, Crum said. The left front side of the Ford automobile struck Fitzpatrick, hurling him to the pavement.

He soon regained consciousness and was taken to Our Saviour's hospital in the Cooney ambulance. He suffered shock and abrasions to the head and left wrist.

Great Influence Of Xmas Spirit Told By Pastor

"Christmas Credentials" was the subject of an interesting talk given at the weekly meeting of the Rotary club Friday by Dr. W. Harris Pankhurst, pastor of the Congregational church. The minister described Christmas as a story, as an institution, and as a spirit.

Pointing out that the Christmas story was not regarded as important by the early Christian church, the speaker said it was written in its present form many years after Christ's crucifixion.

Christmas as an institution was not begun until 360 A.D., when the Bishop of Rome designated Dec. 25 as Christ's birthday.

The pastor pointed out that the spirit of Christmas and its influence in the world is the most important element of the religious holiday.

Dr. Pankhurst was introduced by Dr. Daniel Kerr, program chairman.

Milstead Rites In Cass Monday

Chandlerville—Mrs. Elizabeth Milstead of Chandlerville died of pneumonia Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at Our Saviour's hospital, where she had been a patient since Dec. 16. She was 87 years of age.

She leaves five sons, Arthur of Peoria, Leo of Quincy, Charles of Philadelphia, James of Springfield and Roscoe of Chandlerville; one daughter, Mrs. Effie Wiseman, also of Chandlerville; and one sister, Mrs. Larcena Kohler of Peoria.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Monday at the Chandlerville Christian church with Rev. Frank Bush officiating. Burial will be in the Chandlerville cemetery with the Lintner and Sons Funeral Home in charge.

VISITING BROTHER
Mrs. Elizabeth R. Hector, a member of the faculty of the School for the Deaf at Little Rock, Ark., is spending the holidays with her brother, Robert Russell, 515 West Beecher avenue.

Christmas Eve Service
All welcome 11:30
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Garage Necessary Now, But School Barn Rated High

By Cecil Tendick

Grandpa said that when he was a boy there wasn't a barn in any schoolyard in the area. Horses stood out in the open, all day long. We could hardly believe that.

"And it won't be too long," he continued, "until there won't be any barns at any school houses, anywhere." We didn't believe that. In 1914 we knew kids would ride ponies to school, always.

Grandpa was right. The other day I mentioned an incident which occurred "near the school barn." A ten year old got his nose out of a comic book long enough to laugh. "Who ever heard of a school barn?"

Today school districts are building garages to house their chubby, yellow buses. But the rural schools of 35 years ago had barns.

Some of them weren't very good, just sheds enclosed on three sides and open toward the south. A few schools had excellent barns, with stalls for six, eight or ten head of ponies and horses.

Fresh Air Favored
Ours was an in-between model. It had a shed roof and five stalls. It was enclosed, that is if the kids bothered about closing the individual stall doors which opened to the south. But fresh air was pretty much a fad in those days, so we always figured the ponies would be healthier if we left the doors open.

The barn was built out of second-hand lumber during the winter of that real depression, the panic of 1906. It cost the district \$26.72. Although wheat went up to \$2.50 a bushel ten years or so later, the barn never did get painted.

Our pony was a temperamental Shetland, coal black. His name was Sailor. His feed box was made of beautiful pine from the forests of Sweden. It had once held 30 pounds of salt herring, so the writing on the outside said.

Ponies Fed First
Trying their best to be true horsemen, the kids always fed their ponies at noon, before eating their lunches. Sailor's ration was two ears of corn, a two-pound Wedding Ring coffee tin measure of oats and a flake of baled hay, either timothy or clover.

The barn was a sort of manly spot; the girls never fooled around in it except when everybody got tired of using the schoolhouse to play Andy Over. The shed roof on the barn made it trickier, or so we thought.

Sometimes or other every boy in the school got sick smoking corns orals or real tobacco. A vacant stall was the smoking room.

Unlucky Chambermaids
The barn had a distinct aroma, for as housekeepers we were all floors. The manure was hauled out by some industrious German farmer late in the spring each year, only after the teacher had given a half-dozen illustrated lectures on the life of the house-fly, from egg to adult.

After dismissal each evening, it was always a race to see who could get his pony out of the barn, hitched up and away for home first. Wednesday was a special hurry-up day, for most of our mothers baked bread on Wednesdays and we often got home before the loaves cooled.

Sometimes one kid won; sometimes another. We often wondered how long it took us to get hooked up, but we couldn't tell for sure. Nobody had a watch, and the school clock hung in the back end of the school. You couldn't look at it and the competitors at the same time.

The Official Time
But at Christmas time Albert Yag got a watch, a classy looking Ingersoll with a powerful tick. Albert had to take the back off to wind it with a small key. The watch was supposed to sell for a dollar, but fair trades practices acts hadn't been invented yet so you could buy them for 89c.

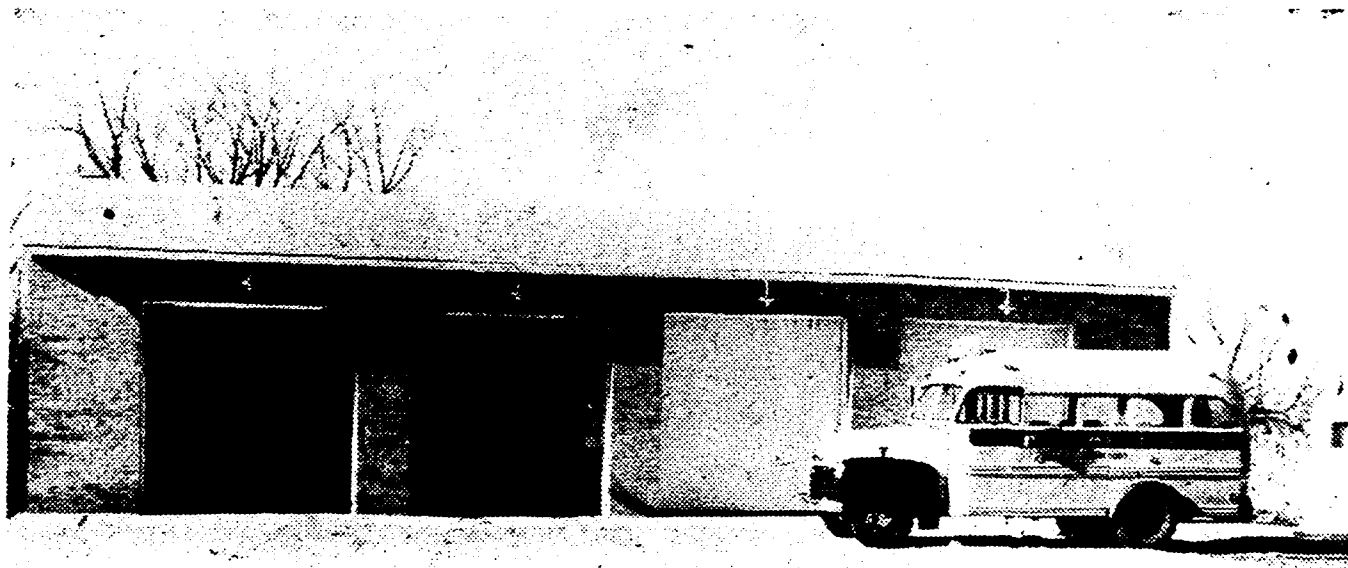
Albert, a tow-headed German, worried us all day by querying, "Why don't you ask me what o'clock it is?" We decided he would keep time for the harness-up race that evening. Everybody had to stay on the porch until Albert pulled out his Ingersoll, looked at it carefully and dropped a stick. We took off.

The following day we asked what the time was. Albert replied, "six minutes." We knew that couldn't be true, and berated him and his "turnip" all day. But we arranged for another time contest the next night.

Albert was mighty anxious to please. The next morning he proudly announced that the winner had left the schoolyard "in chust six seconds." We knew that was too fast. Later on Albert learned to tell time. Today school garages are a necessary part of the school plant. But, back a few years ago, school barns were pretty nice things, too.

Union barber shops will close Saturday Dec. 24th at 5:30 P.M.

NEW SCHOOL GARAGE AT ALEXANDER



The accompanying photograph shows the recently completed garage built in Alexander by the Alexander-Nortonville Franklin consolidated district. It will house four school buses, when completely equipped it will have facilities for washing, greasing and cleaning the vehicles. The structure was built by Verne Mueller of Jacksonville.

Funeral Services

Mrs. Rose Baker
Carrollton—Services for Mrs. Rose Baker will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Simpson Funeral Home with Rev. J. Hamilton of the Bethel Baptist church as the officiating minister. Burial will be made in Stith cemetery.

Combined School, P.T.A. Exercises Held At Glasgow

Glasgow—A Christmas program given by the Glasgow P.T.A. and the Glasgow school combined was held in the school house Thursday evening, and was attended by a large crowd of parents and friends. A large lighted Christmas tree added to the spirit of the occasion. At the close of the program Santa Claus made his expected appearance, and assisted in the distribution of the children's treat and the large number of presents.

Following a brief business meeting presents of the P.T.A., presided over by the president, Estelle Cowper, the meeting was turned over to the program committee, composed of the two local teachers, Mrs. Murrell Smith and Mrs. Pauline Hester, and the following well-arranged program was presented: Piano number, "Chimes," Miss Nita Ford, Carrollton, music instructor for the local school; songs, "We Wish You a Merry Christmas," "White Christmas," "Birthdays of the King," and rhythm band numbers, "Christmas Bells," "Daffodil Walt," by intermediate pupils; piano duet, Miss Ford, Miss Linda Smith; accordion selection, Miss Janet Hester; vocal solo, Miss Norma Nicholson; songs, "Rudolph, the Red-nosed Reindeer," "All Aboard For Santa Claus," and a rhythm band number, "Pingle Bells," by primary pupils; piano selection, Billy Hester; vocal quartet, Miss Norma Nicholson, Miss Barbara Ellen McEvers, Gayle McEvers, Ogdon Smith; piano selection, Miss Ford; pantomime, "The Birth of Christ," the school, narrator, Mrs. Murrell Smith.

Amvet Open House, Games And Dance Will Be Monday

Amvet Post No. 100 will hold open house Monday, Dec. 26, between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. for its members and feminine guests. Free entertainment and refreshments will be provided for all who attend. A shuffleboard tournament and a ping-pong tournament will be held during the day with prizes for the winning contestants, and dancing will take place between the hours of 2 and 5 p.m., that afternoon.

Murrayville Club Has All Day Meet

Murrayville—"Christ the Answer for the World" was the subject for discussion at the December meeting of the Woman's Missionary society of the Baptist church, which took the form of an all day session and potluck dinner at the church.

Mrs. Laura Sooy was leader, and 11 members and one guest, Mrs. Tommy Mason, answered roll call with a Bible verse. A gift exchange was held.

Mr. and Mrs. G.C. Whitlock and Mrs. T. G. Beades attended funeral services held Thursday afternoon for Thomas Mitchell in Jacksonville.

Mrs. Marshall Hadden is a patient at Our Saviour's hospital in Jacksonville for treatment this week.

A committee from the W.S.C.S. of the Methodist church visited the shut-ins of the community Thursday afternoon and left a tray of cake, nuts, candy and fruit for Christmas. The custom is observed each year.

Sends Yule Cards Made Of Stone
Logansport, Ind., Dec. 23.—(P)—The mailman is glad not many persons send Christmas cards like those of E. H. Billman, Logansport monument dealer.

Billman sent five cards made of limestone, five to six inches wide, 10 to 12 inches long and one inch thick. On one side he carved "Merry Christmas" and his name, and on the other side he carved the address.

Each card weighed 3½ pounds. They were sent by parcel post at 13 cents each.

Teachers, Board Guests Of P.T.A. At Concord Dinner

Concord—Teachers and their guests and the board of education of unit 27 were guests of the Concord-Jersey College P.T.A. at a turkey dinner served Wednesday evening in the hot lunch kitchen of the grade school. Each table bore a centerpiece of evergreens and red ribbons, with red candles in glass holders and small favors of evergreen corsages at each place, made by Mrs. R. C. Henley.

Following the dinner the group assembled upstairs where a program was presented: Grade school mixed chorus, O Holy Night; vocal solo, Wanda Flynn; tap dance, Martha Jane Beddingfield; accordion numbers, Ruth Peterson.

Miss Gladice Gawe, exchange teacher for Springfield from London, England, in an interesting and enlightening address, told of her many experiences as an exchange teacher and illustrated her remarks with colored slides.

The next meeting of unit 27 will be held in Mercedia in February.

Church Xmas Party
The annual Christmas party of the Concord Christian church was held Dec. 19 in Morgan Hall with a good attendance of members and friends present. At 6:30 a potluck supper was served under the supervision of members of the Ladies Aid.

Following the supper Wilbur Abemathy led the group in singing Christmas carols, and a short program consisting of a recitation by Faye Hacker and a cornet duet by Sharon Fouts and Jeanette Hacker. Mrs. Clifford Fouts was program chairman.

Mrs. Mac Baise and Mrs. Fouts were assisted in the gift exchange by Sharon Fouts and Jeanette Hacker. At the close of the social hour the annual treat of candy and oranges was given to the four lower classes of the Sunday school.

Home Bureau Meets
Twenty members were present at the Harmony unit of the Home Bureau held Dec. 31 at the home of Mrs. Virgil Wegehoff.

Mrs. Daniel Dietrick read an article on Home Safety. Mrs. Thomas Crawford gave the history of the origin of the Christmas carol, "Silent Night," followed by Mrs. Frances King, home adviser, who gave the major lesson, "Planning and Serving Company Meals."

Miss Francis Gaddis gave the minor lesson, "Hobbies for Different Age Groups." Miss Gaddis displayed her hobby, salt and pepper shakers.

At the close of the meeting, homemade candies were served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. William B. Onken and daughter, Beth, arrived Saturday from Milwaukee, Wis., for a two weeks visit with their parents.

A large number of Concord residents attended the vespers services held at the Chapin High school Sunday. Mona Kershaw, Shirley Smith, and Barbara Nickel were members of the girls chorus. Barbara Nickel was also a member of the saxophone quartette.

Graveside Rites For Fanning Baby

Graveside services for Bobby Fanning were conducted at 2 p.m. Friday at Memorial Lawn cemetery. Rev. Leslie G. Heuston of Central Christian church officiated.

The flowers were cared for by three aunts of the deceased, Mrs. Henry Likes, Mrs. Everett Duff and Mrs. William Haggard; and two nieces, Miss Marily Sue Duff and Miss Sandra Kay Duff.

HEAR THE CHRISTMAS SERMON AND MUSIC. GRACE CHURCH. SUNDAY MORNING, 10:45.

Couriers Given To Street Boys Free Christmas Eve

Saturday, Dec. 24, the day before Christmas, will be a special occasion for the boys who sell Jacksonville Couriers on the streets of the business district. The street salesmen will be given, without cost, all the newspapers they can sell, and will be permitted to keep the entire proceeds of their sales.

The Journal Courier Company established many years ago this custom of free newspapers for street salesmen on the day before Christmas. The boys are looking forward to tonight, when each hopes to set a new record in high sales and earnings.

TOP CHEMISTRY MARK FOR NURSING STUDENT

Anne L. Sweet, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Sweet, rural route 1, Franklin, tied for second place among students in the freshman chemistry class at Illinois college, Jacksonville, based on grades for the fall term just completed. Miss Sweet is enrolled in the freshman class of the Passavant Memorial hospital School of Nursing, Jacksonville. Nursing students take courses in chemistry, English, psychology and other subjects at the college.

Miss Sweet received an "A" grade for her work in chemistry at the college. The chemistry class has 3 students.

She is a graduate of Franklin high school, class of 1949.

O.E.S. Has Public Installing Rites At Murrayville

Murrayville—Public installation of officers was held Tuesday evening by the Murrayville O.E.S. chapter 795, with Mrs. Mabel Blimling and Earl Hembrough assuming the positions of worthy matron and worthy patron. Donna Jean and Diana Blimling, granddaughters of the matron, sang to her during the ceremony.

While other grandchildren, Darrell and Darlene Blimling, presented her with gifts from her family and the new officers, Miss Mary Jane Benscoter sang "Everywhere You Go," to Mrs. Mildred Benscoter, and the program with a piano prelude, and the retiring worthy matron, Mrs. Ethel Gollier, extended a brief welcome. A candlelight service was held. Mrs. Edna Fitzsimmons gave a floral piece to Mrs. Gollier from her officers, and Mary Jane Benscoter honored her in a solo, "Our Best to You." She received the chapter jewel from Mrs. Blimling.

At the close a social hour took place, with ice cream and cake being served by a committee composed of M. J. Benscoter, chairman; Earl Hembrough, Milton Morris, Joe Lashmet and H. G. Strang. Decorations were 24 ferns together with several lovely plants donated by Hempel and Rieman, Florists, of Jacksonville.

Mrs. Mildred Fisher was installed as associate matron; M. J. Benscoter, associate patron; Mrs. Marjorie Kehl, conductress; Mrs. Edna Fitzsimmons, associate conductress; Mrs. Barbara Spencer, secretary; Mrs. Ruth Robinson, treasurer; Mrs. Ethel Gollier, chaplain; Mrs. Mae Cade, marshal; Mrs. Mildred Benscoter, organist; Mrs. Ethel Stringer, warder; Mrs. Amelia Smith, sentinel. The points of the star were Mrs. Emma Hembrough, Adah; Mrs. Martha Joseph, Martha; Mrs. Louise Millon, Esther; Mrs. Dorothy Baker, Ruth; and Mrs. Corrine Lashmet, Electa.

The chapter will hold a school of instruction at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 17, with a potluck supper at 6 p.m. Miss Bertha Ficker, grand lecturer, will be the instructor. All members are requested to attend.

B. F. White, 93, Expires Friday At Wrights Home

Roodhouse—Benjamin Franklin White, 93, died at his home in Wrights at 11 a.m. Friday. He was born March 22, 1856, in Kentucky, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram White.

He is survived by a son, Oliver, of Wrights; a brother, Logan W. of Scottville; and a sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson, of Hartford.

The body is at the Mackey Funeral Home here, where services will be held Monday at 1:30 p.m. Rev. W. W. Williams will conduct the rites, and burial will be in the White Hall cemetery.

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